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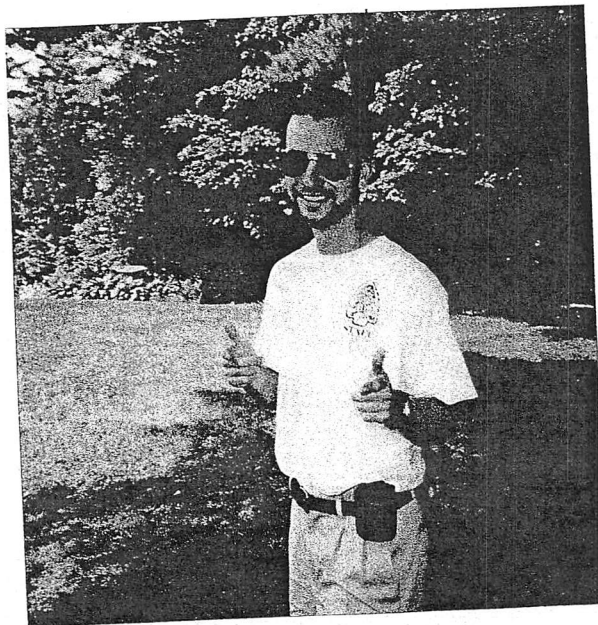


## BRC Dedication 2007

Consistently, the Biroca dedicates its hilarious and heartfelt pages to a single man. A man who not only has thrown every piece of effort into his summer, but a piece of his soul into Birch Rock. The dedication, written on thin but everlasting sheets, is one of the most hallowed dedications of the year. This year the Biroca is extremely proud to be presented to Mark, better known as "the Weaz", Sutherland.

## THE WEAZ

We thank Weaz for his years as a camper, counselor, head counselor, and friend. The Weaz's love of Birch Rock shines through each day as he leads the day-to-day schedule, a taxing and rewarding job. The former being a bit more. With Weaz, it's just the tip of the iceberg. Beyond his charisma and leadership, is true intelligence and compassion. Intelligence to navigate the craze that is the ever-changing Birch Rock program. Compassion to build friendships, based on trust and brotherhood, with all of camp. Weaz, thank you, from all of us, for teaching the world that "Help the Other Fellow" is much more than a phrase.

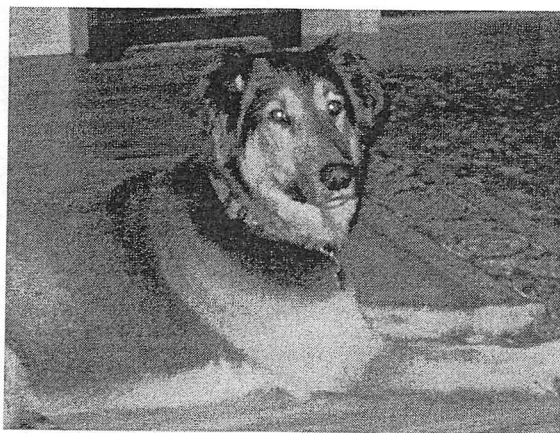


Mark Sutherland  
The Weaz









## **A View From The Top**

The summer of 2007 was a wonderful summer that will go down in the Birch Rock history books as one of the best. The staff this summer was an amazing group of individuals bonded into a tight group of friends. The general attitude of our staff this year was "Actions Speak Louder Than Words" or as the great Mr. T likes to say, "Ain't No Time For The Jibba Jabba!" The staff worked hard to bring fun in the sun and a plethora of great surprises to our kids every day. Thanks to all the staff for their dedication and enthusiasm.

The other great feat of the summer was all the long distance swims we completed. There were 9 Whales and 16 Seals along with tons of Ducks and Loons. We thank Matt Clifford and our hardworking waterfront staff for helping make this happen, but ultimately it was the kids who went after their goals and in some cases fears to get them done. Our campers this summer were great, and we truly hope they enjoyed their summer at the Rock. We also hope to see them all back at the Rock in 2008.

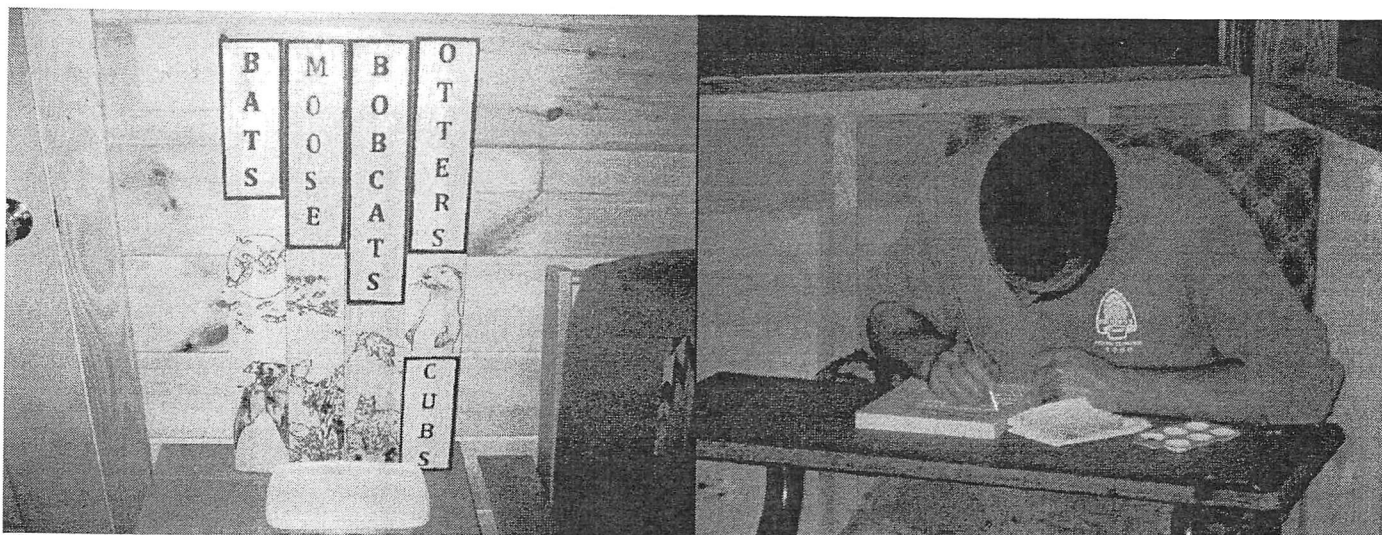
Finally, I want to thank the entire community for Mike Mattson Day. It was so kind of everyone to recognize my 25<sup>th</sup> summer with Birch Rock in such an amazing way. A special thanks to Rich Deering for organizing it, and to Todd Vincentsen for his work on the plaque. You will all always be in my heart.

Stay In Touch and Have A Great Off-Season!



Michael Mattson



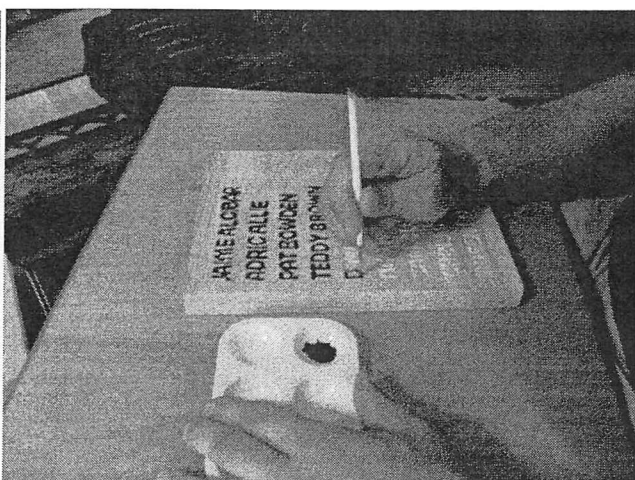
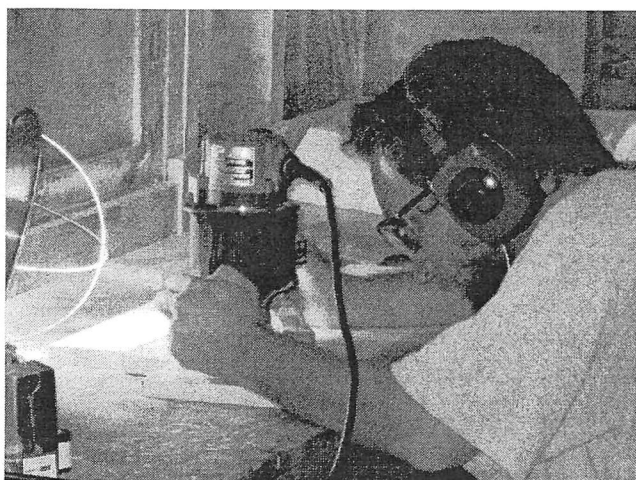


### THE MAKING OF THE PLAQUES 2007

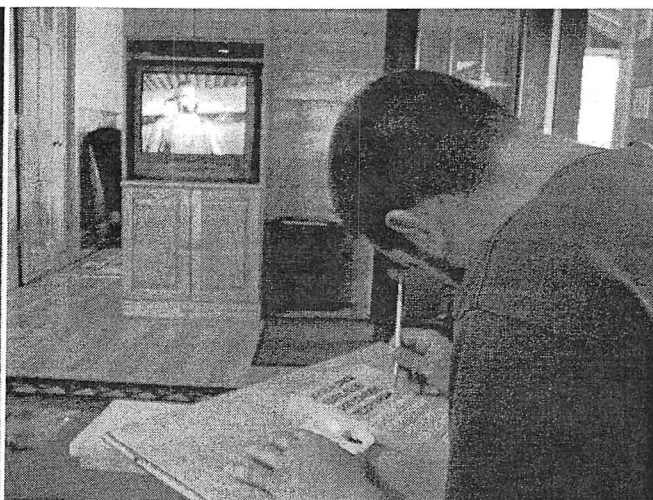
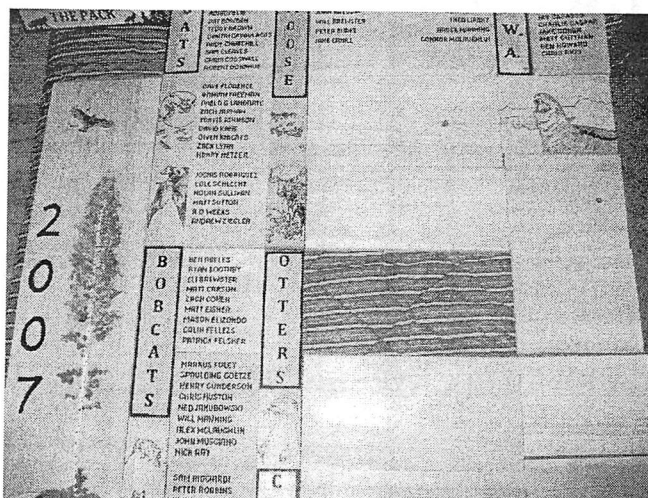
MAKING THE PLAQUES EACH SUMMER HAS BEEN A JOY FOR EACH OF US. WE HAVE EACH LEARNED TO TAKE ON SPECIFIC ROLES IN THE PROCESS. RYAN FOCUSES ON THE ROUTING OF EACH NAME AND ANY ROUTER WORK ON THE HEAD PIECES. HE ALSO HELPS IN THE FINAL STAINING PROCESS. DOUG HELPS PAINT EACH NAME, SAND DOWN THE BOARDS, AND STAIN. I FOCUS MOST OF MY ENERGY ON THE HEADERS. I DO ALL THE WOODBURNS AND THIS SEASON PAINTED THE YEAR HEAD PIECE. I ALSO HELP PAINT THE NAMES AND STAINING AT THE END.

ALL THREE OF US LIKE TO REFLECT ON EACH CAMPER AS WE WORK ON HIS INDIVIDUAL NAME. WE WILL TELL EACH OTHER STORIES OF THE SUMMER AND THINK ABOUT EACH CAMPER'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. WE, OF COURSE, JOKE ABOUT HOW MUCH WE LOVE THE CAMPERS WITH SHORT NAMES BECAUSE THEY ARE SO MUCH EASIER TO ROUT AND PAINT. NAMES LIKE "BEN COLE" & "NICK RAY".

IT IS ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO SEE THE FINAL PRODUCT UP ON THE WALL FOR ALL TO SEE. IN FACT, DURING FAMILY CAMP AND IN THE OFF-SEASON, I STILL FIND MYSELF CHECKING IN ON THE PLAQUES. I THINK ALL THREE OF US HAVE GROWN TO APPRECIATE THE HARD WORK CHIEF PUT INTO THE PLAQUES SEASON AFTER SEASON, AND ALL THOSE AFTER HIM. WE WONDER HOW THEY DID IT AND WHETHER THEY THOUGHT ABOUT THEIR CAMPERS DURING THE PROJECT. THEY MUST HAVE, RIGHT? WE LOVE THE CAMPERS OF 2007 AND HOPE THEY LOVE CAMP. - MIKE MATTSON







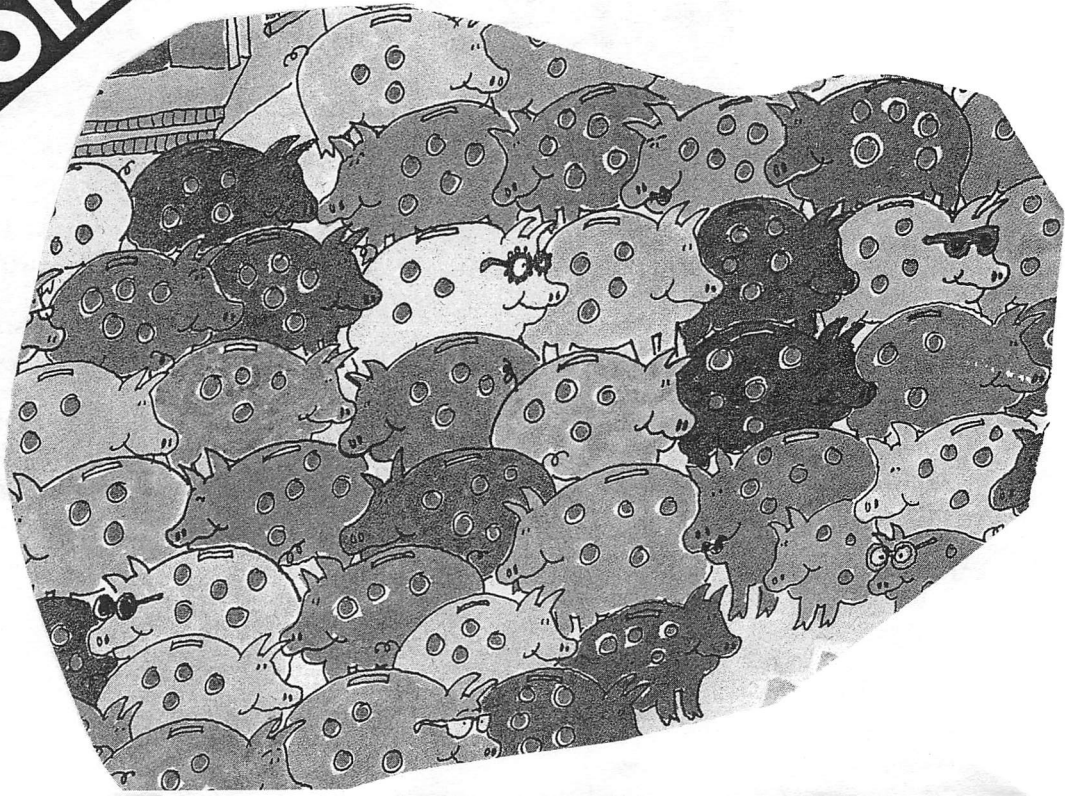


# *Fun with a Purpose*

## Hilton A First Session Cabin Report

This year in Hilton A we had Jonathan Tuffy from Hannover, MA, his favorite activities were Potluck with "Chuck" instructional swim, kyaking and baseball. We also had Trevor McLaughlin from Skillman, NJ, his favorite activities were Potluck, Nature Basketball and Campcraft. Ben Cole was in our cabin and was from Wayland, MA his activities were Potluck, Lacrosse and Instructional Swim. To cap it off we had Kevin Hare from Cape Elizabeth, ME. His favorite activities were sailing, soccer and woodshop. Our counselor was Andrew Clemence and out CIT was Pierce Madden. We ended up having a great time.

**ACTUAL SIZE.**



# Hilton B Cabin report

session 1

In our Hilton B first session there was Andrew St. George, Alex Newman, Augustine Ferreria, and Patrick McLaughlin. Andrew is from Philadelphia. Alex Newman is from New York City, New York. Augustine is from Caracas, Venezuela. Patrick McLaughlin is from Skillman, NJ. Andrew Clemence was our Cabin Counselor and he was cool. We all had a great session.



Goofus slumps in his chair with his elbows on the table.



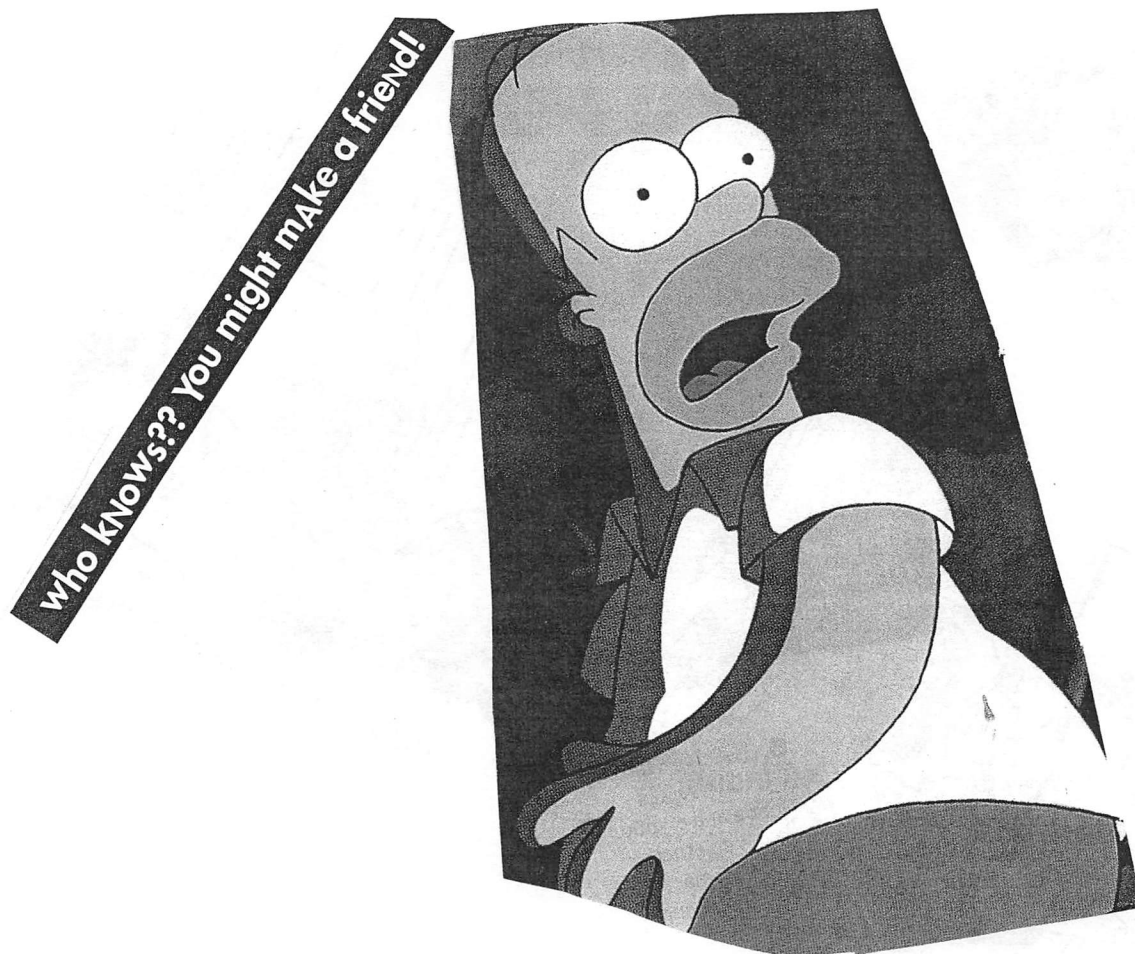
Gallant sits up straight at the table.



# Cabin 2 Cabin Report

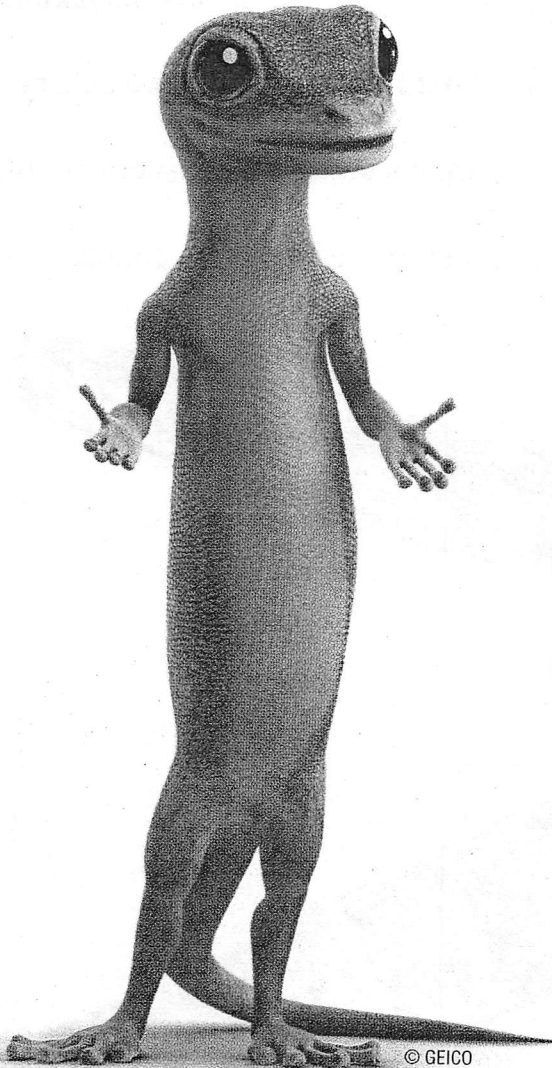
Cabin 2 1<sup>st</sup> session was bang'n. We had Charlie Fay, Josue Rodriguez, Ben Foley, Loius De La Bardonie, Chris McEleron, and Zach Lashley. Charlie Fay was here for his first year at Birch Rock. Charlie was mostly up on the field lacrosse and down swimming. Josue Rodriguez was from the Bronx of New York City. Josue liked canoeing and sailing. Ben Foley is from Bowdoinham Maine. Ben liked swimming, basketball, and being loud. Lois was from France. Louis liked all waterfront activities and lacrosse. Zach Lashley lives in Colorado and teaches Kayaking and swimming. Chris McEleron is from New York and taught Basketball and tennis. So that was are bang'n cabin for first session.

-Ben Foley



## *Cabin 3 1<sup>st</sup> Session*

It was an awesome first session in cabin 3. In the cabin was Zach Cohen, Matt Carson, Ben Abeles, Ned Jakubowski, and Walter Roland was the counselor. Our favorite activities were archery, basketball, and mountain biking. In the cabin we loved playing cards, Sorry, and hiding each others shoes. It was a fantastic session!



**"I love to entertain,  
but I'm here to  
save you money  
on car insurance."**

© GEICO



# Cabin 3 2nd Session

Cabin 3 is made up of five spectacular people. First of all we had our counselor Walter Rolend who teaches wind surfing and art. It is his fifth year and his favorite part of BRC is truly and sincerely helping the other fellow. Second we have Thomas Leddy who enjoys lacrosse and campcraft. It is his first year and he really likes camp. Next we have Nicholas Cogswell who enjoys swimming and canoeing. It is his fourth summer here and it is like a third home to him. Then we come to Patrick McLaughlin who enjoys sailing and kayaking. It is his first year and he really likes making friends here. Last but not least we have Zachary "Bam Bam, Z Bam it's a generation thing" Bamburger who enjoys tennis and basketball. It is his third year and he loves coming to have fun. This cabin enjoys each others company and looks forward to many years to come.

EXTRA EXTRA  
THEY'RE GEO-WHIZZES!

A Colorful Character

# Cabin 5 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

Jeremy Lifter/ fave activities Kayaking, Canoeing, Campcraft

Columbus, OH. Loves to laugh and smile.

Zack Cohen – Fav Basketball, Archery, Campcraft

Darien, Connecticut. Loves to play sports.

Nate Geremia – Favorite activities- CampCraft, Mountain Biking, Archery.

Dober-Snerborn, Massachusetts. Loves to bike and hanging out

Cabin 5 got a little of getting used to w: the coolest counselor Sam. 2<sup>nd</sup> rest was always monopoly. Nate was by far the worst (coming from him). Zack best of Campers at it

Nick play usily mostly, but we always stayed alive in Cabin 5.

1<sup>st</sup> Session

## Cabin 5 report

This is the report of the four campers in Cabin 5. We had Markus Foley, Matt Eisner, John Musciano, and Chris Houston. Our cabin theme is the "Lollipop" song by Mika. Markus enjoys long walks on the beach and singing along to his favorite Kelly Clarkson songs. Chris Houston can't seem to get enough of his raunchy clothes, makeup, and shopping. John Musciano especially loves spending hours on end at the mall with Chris in his free time. Matt Eisner loves to get his manicures and pedicures when he is not enjoying his enriching mud baths. Sam likes reading Calvin & Hobbs and Harry Potter. Nick, our C.I.T., likes to sleep. He likes to eat cheese. Our cabin is not your average cabin, but we all enjoy camp all the same.



# Cabin 6 First Session

We had pretty ballin' first session in cabin 6. The campers in our cabin are Ryan Boothby, Peter Robbins, Nathaniel Young and Alex McLaughlin. Ryan lives in Brewer Maine and enjoys sailing, campcraft, kayaking, woodshop and art. Ryan is looking forward to coming back as a full session camper again. Peter lives in Weston, Ct, his favorite activities are lacrosse, kayaking, mountain biking and swimming. He is looking forward to coming back next summer and having a ton of fun. Nathaniel lives in Burlington, Vermont and his favorite activities are baseball, basket ball and tennis. He is looking forward to a good summer next year as a half session camper. Alex is from Skillman, New Jersey, his favorite activities are mountain biking, baseball, campcraft and nature. He is looking forward to coming back full session nets year. Ryan McElroen is our is our councilor, he teaches tennis and swimming. He is our favorite councilor that lives in cabin 6. Ed Cohen is our CIT, we don't know what he wants to teach because he is covering the library. He is our favorite CIT that lives in Cabin 6. Our cabin songs are Miracle, by Cascada and Mr. Jones by Mike Jones. Unfortunately Ryan won't play Mr. Jones so we sang it ourselves. We had some pretty intense Monopoly games this session. Aside from not going to the dance and being last in the lunch line, even if we run, we all had an awesome first session at BRC.

**SPOILER  
ALERT!**

## Cabin 6 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

This year 2<sup>nd</sup> session there was three of us: Colin Fellez, who hails from Hawaii, Will Sheppard, who hails from Antartica, and Spaulding Goetze, who hails from Colorado. Colin's favorite activities were sailing, volleyball, and windsurfing. Will's favorite activities were archery, art and windsurfing. Spaulding's favorite activities were sailing, tennis, and windsurfing. We had a great year.

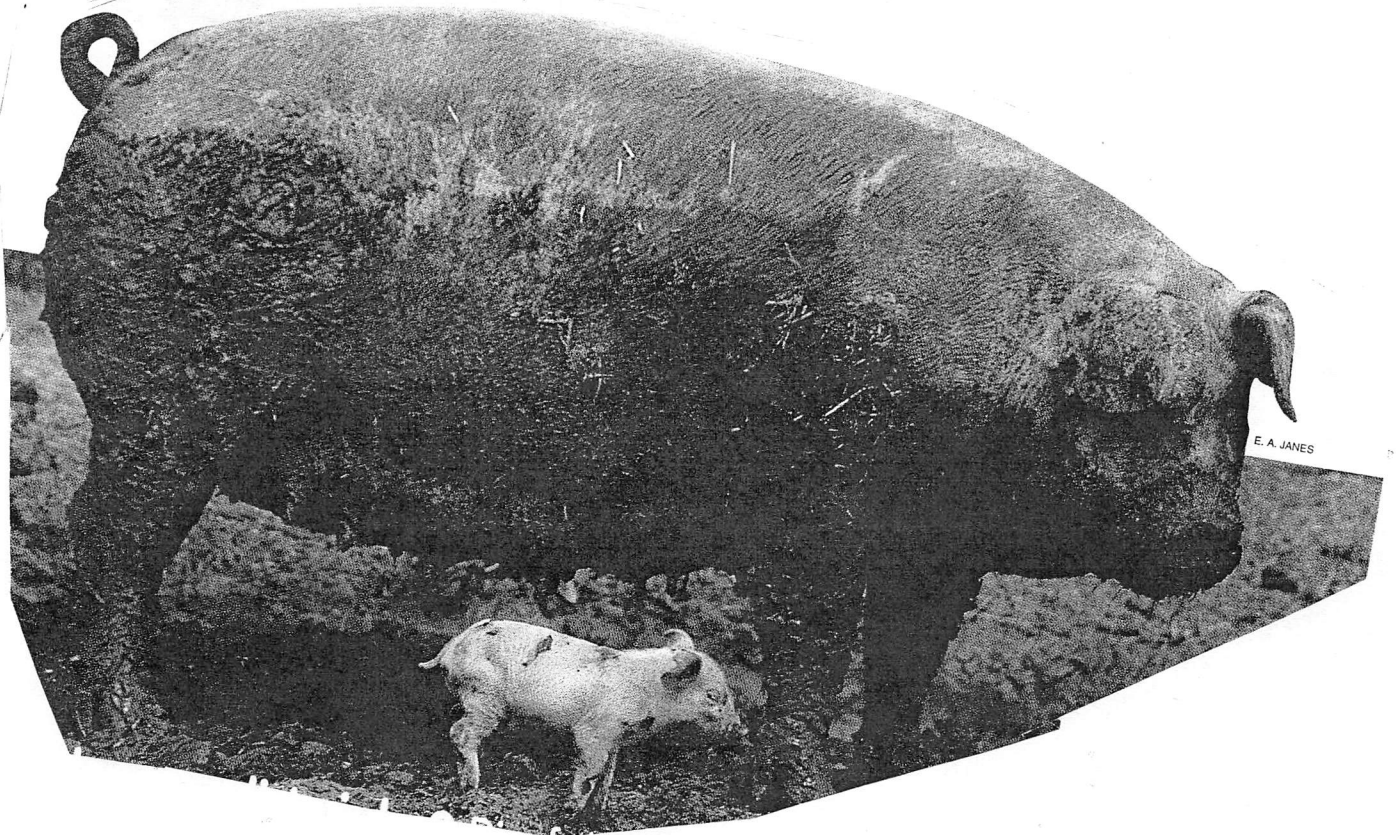
**A FEAST FOR THE EYE**

# Cabin 7 Report

## 1<sup>st</sup> Session

Yo, this is the bangin' Cabin 7 report. This cabin from "down under" consists of 4 campers and our awesome counselor, Lang. One camper in our cabin is Drew Doran. Drew is from Scarborough, Maine. He likes tennis and sailing. Anthony Mercedes is from the Bronx, New York. He likes soccer, basketball, and fruit. Peter Burke is from Naples, Florida. He likes woodshop and soccer. This cabin has been a life changing experience for all of them.

## Wanted Man





## Cabin 7 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

In our cabin we have Will Manning, Ben Foley, Curtis Whiting, and Matt Carson. Our counselor is Lang Robson, from the land down under.

Will's favorite activities are soccer, campcraft, and kayaking. Ben's favorites are nature and instructional swim. Matt's are mountain biking and library and Curtis likes nature and campcraft.

Will is from Chester County, Pennsylvania; Curtis is from Brooklyn, New York; Matt is from Winthrop, Maine; and Ben is from Bowham, Maine.

We had a lot of fun and *a good time was had by all*.



## Cabin 8 Report

In the first session, we had four campers. They were Gabe Dryer, Kellen Smith, and Zach Straight, and Connor Sullivan. Our counselor was Erik Joelsson, and our C.I.T. was Nick Rios. We resided in the lovely waterfront cabin that had a porch. Kellen enjoyed sailing, setup, washhouse cleaning, and swimming. Gabe loved to sail and go on long runs. When Connor was awake, he enjoyed tennis and baseball. Zach liked campcraft and swimming. The cabin song was "What is love", and "Psycho killer". Erik was cool and relaxed, and Nick was a playa. "And a good time was had by all!"

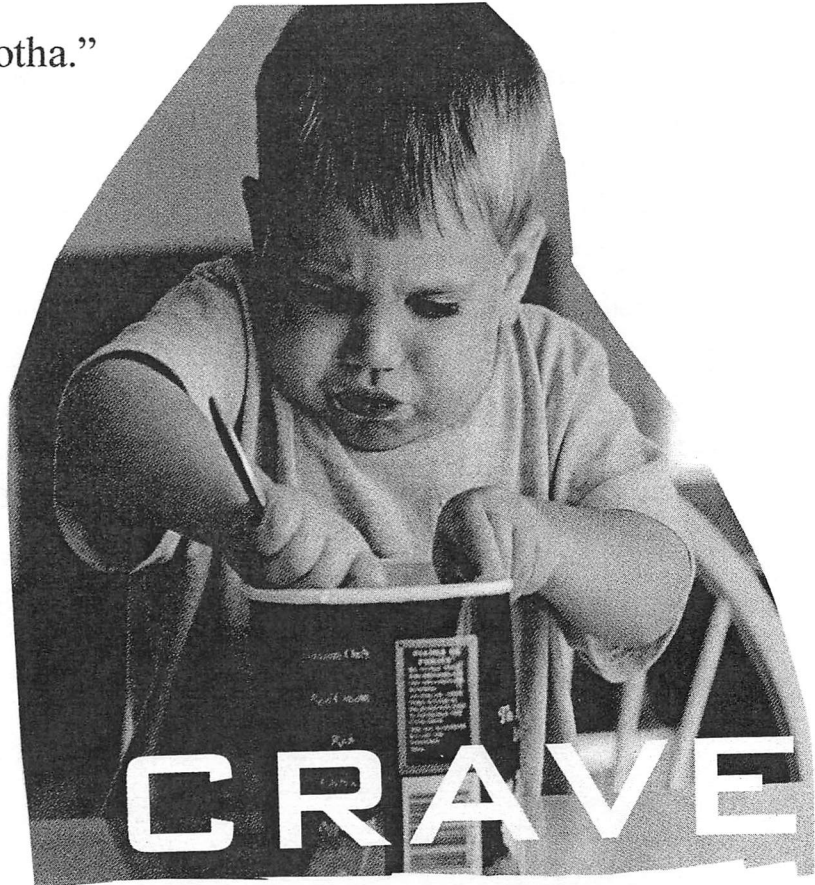
## **cabin 8 2nd session**

Cabin 8 had an awesome 2<sup>nd</sup> session! The campers were Patrick Felsner, Jimmy Scanlon, Matt Eisner, and Alex McLaughlin. Jimmy is from Cumberland, ME. He enjoyed basketball, baseball, kayaking, and sailing. He is 12 years old and is looking forward to returning next year. Patrick, from Greenbelt, MD, liked campcraft, sailing, and art. Patrick is considering returning next year. Alex is from Skillman, NJ. He enjoyed mountain biking, campcraft, and baseball, and is planning on returning for 7 weeks once again next summer. Last but not least is Matt Eisner. He is from Hollywood, Florida. His favorite activities are soccer and campcraft. He is looking forward to a great next year. The staff members in Cabin 8 are Erik Joelsson and Nick Rios. Erik is from Pennsylvania and Nick is from Florida. Erik is the waterfront director. Nick likes helping out at almost every activity. Cabin 8 had a great 2<sup>nd</sup> session!!!

# Eagles Nest Cabin Report

The next o' Eagles had a crazy first session. Our counselor was T-O-Double D. Our counselor was also Sean O'Toole, "It's complicated". He is our favorite counselor besides for double D. He is awesome!!! We ranged from wacky first rest period to letting the Bruce loose. Our roster boasted John Breggia, Jamie Foley, Matt Guttman, Bruce Manning, Ben Semmes, Theo Lipsky, and Jay Cappasso. We had a great summer! It was the most awesome summer ever at Birch Rock because everyone was so nice to each other and we loved to "help the otha brotha."

My Bad



CR AVE



# Eagles Nest 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

2<sup>nd</sup> session in the nest was the best

We always were so cool, maybe too cool for school

We liked winning inspection, 2 days in a row

FO SHO!!!!

With our gimmicks, side by side

Us and Owls Perch COLLIDE!!!

Todd be chillin', Joe be illin'

We all be in our bunks, reading 'Arry Pottah

Page by page feeling Voldermorts rage

Henry and Jackson playing spit, no lie!

Gabe and Ben with the bed technique

Boothby and Duvall working on their obliques

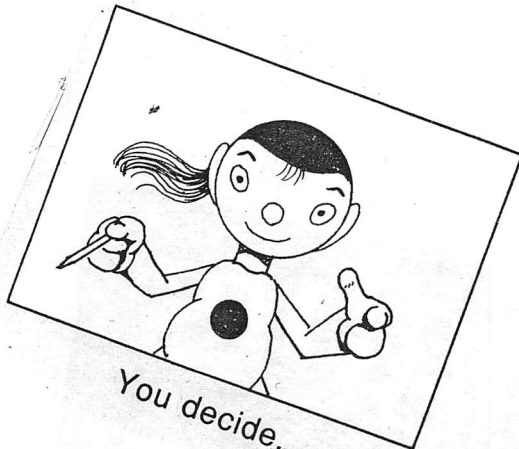
Connor and Will, last but not least,

They both hail from the Northeast

That's our cabin, there's no more

On your way out, don't slam the door!

**CHECK HIM  
OUT, MAN!**



You decide.

**USE SMALL WORDS  
WHEN YOU TALK SMACK TO ME.  
'CAUSE YOU'LL HAVE  
TO EAT THEM LATER.**

## *Buzzard's Roost First Session*

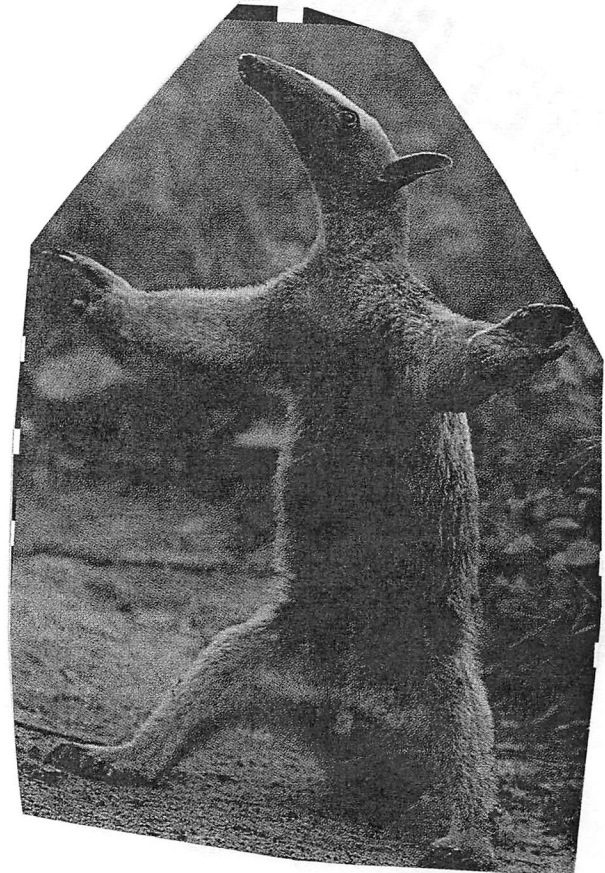
The people in Buzzard's Roost are from all different places. (Excluding Sam Cleaves and Patrick Bowden who are both from Maine. Gabriel Garcia is from the Dominican Republic, which is between Puerto Rico and Cuba. Zack Lynn is from New York. He is a big Yankees fan and most of the people are Red Sox fans. Dylan Laycox is the funniest person in the cabin. He is from Massachusetts and enjoys sleeping. Mike Johnson is from Florida. He is the second funniest person in the cabin. Grant Carlson is from California. He enjoys card games such as Egyptian Cat War. Patrick Bowden likes to wear his hat and to read books. Keith Arnold, our counselor is the chain-master and has already almost completed making a chain-mail glove. Mike Wilson is another counselor. He is the Mountain Biking Instructor. He likes to write in his journal, reading, telling stories and being generally funny acting. That is the superphantistisch cabin of Buzzard's Roost.

*Buzzard's Roost Trip Report 1<sup>st</sup> Session*  
Buzzard's roost left camp one day riding on a troop of kangaroos. They traveled to the mysterious elven ruins of crooked river where they fought dragons. Jake Cohen died. Thankfully Alex Chapin used his reincarnate spell and brought him back as a giant squirrel. When they had defeated the dragons they realized that they were in Arcadia. The evil witch Megan attacked them with fire balls and a blizzard which didn't work out to well because the ice melted and put out the fire and thus rain was born. Buzzard's roost decided to return to camp because of the rain but then they realized that they were playing Dungeons and Dragons.

**Lights  
Out**

# Buzzard's Roost Second Session Dance Party

Buzzard's Roost Second Session  
2007 has A bang'n party goin  
on all the time. The DJ's  
for Buzzard's is CHARLIE KNIGHTS  
and SEBBY WEEKS , but Sebby  
left a week into the session  
To go bring the BR party traditions  
To all his college peeps. We  
Wish him luck in the school year, HE IS MISSED.  
The replacement DJ is ANDREW  
CLEMENCE. He is sweet. The dancers  
At Buzzard's include BRUCE  
MANNING, THEO LIPSKY, HARRY  
NETZER, ANTHONY MERCEDES, JAIMY FOLEY,  
MATT SUTTON, ADRIC ALLEI, AND ANDREW  
ZEIGLER. In case you're interested in the awesomeness, here is a bit about each  
Person. Everyone loves CAMPFIRE.  
Other favorite activities include, Archery,  
Campcraft, Sailing, Art, and Everything  
Else. Theo mainly parties in Brooklyn, NY.  
Anthony from Bronx, NY. Jaimy is  
From Boding-ham, ME. Harry  
Is from Carchmon, NY&. Adric  
Is from Portland, ME. Matt is from  
Del Rey Beach, FL. Andrew is  
From NYC, and Bruce is from the PA.  
NOW that you know all about  
ALL of us, Come Join The PARTY,  
Because Buzzard's Roost DANCE  
PARTY NEVER STOPS!!





Owl's Perch Cabin Report 1<sup>st</sup> Session  
Written by Dimitrii Cavoulacos

# LeadingOff

This year, in Owl's Perch we had 11 people... not crowded at all. The people in the cabin were Josias Rodriguez, from New York City, who spent his time playing Baseball. Pablo Garcia-Landarte was from Spain, and he was a beast at tennis (champion to be exact.) Also we had Adric "Chop" Allie from Portland, Maine who enjoyed archery. Next there was Harry Netzer from New York. He had fun going to Campcraft. Matt Sutton came from Del Rey Beach, FL. He enjoyed nature. Andrew Ziegler is from Minnesota, who liked Campcraft. The remaining Owl Perchers were Robert-David "RD" Weeks from Ellicott City, Maryland, Robert "Bob" Donahue from Chicago, Illinois, David "DK" Kane from Falmouth, Maine, Damian Freeman from Princeton, New Jersey, and myself Dimitrii Cavoulacos from Athens, Greece. RD enjoyed Boating, Volleyball, and Tennis. Bob enjoyed Woodshop so much he got his advanced badge. DK had fun during Mountain Biking and Sailing. He also enjoyed jamming out on his bass. Damian enjoyed Campcraft, Mountain Biking, and Basketball. Finally, I had fun at Canoeing and Basketball. All in all, we had a killer cabin first session.

## SECRET INGREDIENTS

## Time Travel



# Cabin 7&8 trip report

One beautiful morning after breakfast, cabins 7&8 led by the King and Andrew Clemence jumped in a van and began our hour and a half ride to the safest mountain in the world, Tumbledown Mountain. Doug drove us so we got there in an hour and didn't get lost. When we got there we got out of the van with our heavy packs we saw Andrew coming out with a small back pack and a sleeping bag in his hand. We suggested that he put it in his pants for the hike. He did. After we all fueled up with oranges, we began hike up Tumbledown Mountain. After a little while Andrew took the sleeping bag out of his pants. About a half-hour latter in the trip we came to tumbledown rocks. It was as big as a house. We ate lunch of soft taco shells with peanut butter and gorp inside of them. They had an interesting flavor. We only stopped for ten minutes, and we were back on the trail. We knew that it was two and a half miles to the top, but we didn't know that it was two and a half ghastly vertical miles to the top. Climbing this mountain was like climbing stairs. Every five steps that we took we felt like collapsing. The worst part was getting to the top the really steep part, then find out there was another twenty-five steps anyway, but the best part was that you could stand at the top and look down and say "I just climbed that. O-yeah!" There were also great views along the way. When we got to the top it was mostly flat rock face. There was also a cave that was so steep we had to pass our packs up in a line. After about half a mile of hiking on the top of the mountain we found a small pond. I swam my duck in three minutes! After cleaning ourselves of all the sweat, blood and in my case tears, we got out of our bathing suits and started hiking down. The hike down was quick and easy, until we found out that the shelter that Doug had booked did not exist. Instead we slept four people in our two person tents. We woke up bright and early and ate our dry oatmeal and got back on the trail. It was just an ATV road so it was really easy. In no time the van showed up and a good time was had by all.

By- Alex McLaughlin



THE STINK  
ABOUT

PORK

# Eagles Nest Trip 1<sup>st</sup> Session

(Verse)

We started hiking Tuesday at 1  
We were looking forward to havin'  
Some fun

(Chorus)

It was Eagles Nest, Doug and Lang  
On the way home, we all sang—  
Matt Guttman, catchin' toads  
Pretty soon we were on the road  
We conquered all our fears  
And there were no bears  
RAHH!!! What Lang?

(Verse)

The uphill was intense  
Luckily hiking  
Was out sixth sense  
There was lightning and some thunderin'  
But we had Lang from down under  
It rained all night long  
Gave us time to think up a song

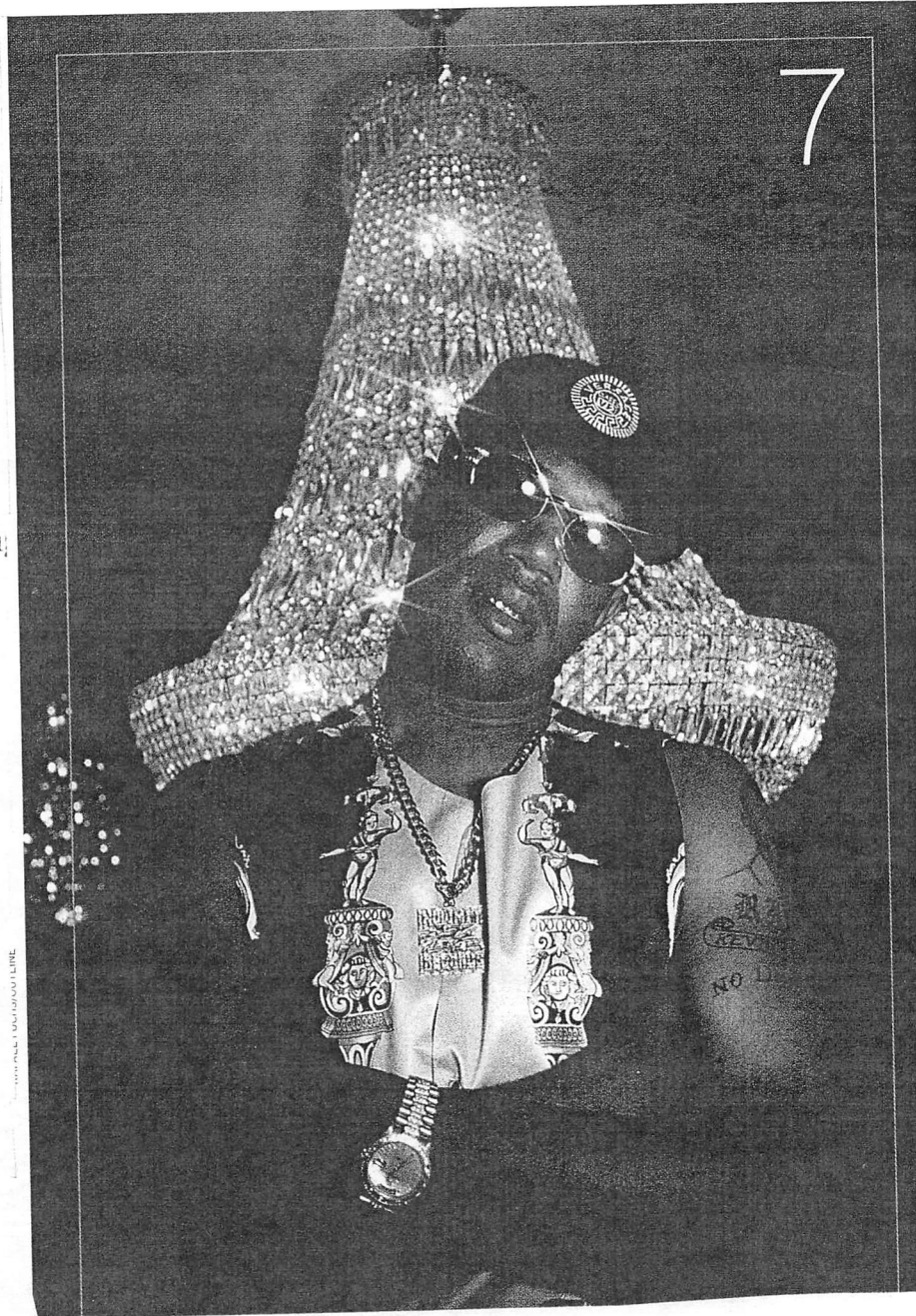
(Chorus)

(Verse)

We broke the tree line  
We were in the clouds  
We were singing  
Awfully loud  
Frogs, birds, and ants were alive  
We were hiking just to survive

(Chorus)

*And a good trip was had by all.*

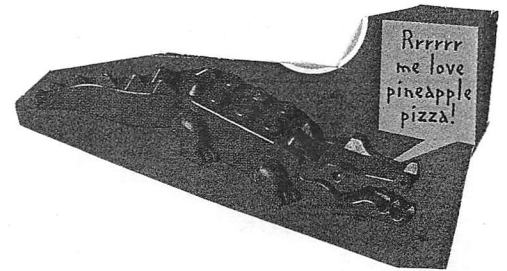




# Owls Perch 1st session trip

First session, Owls Perch went to Moose River. Dave Jenkins, Booboo and Nick Rios lead the trip. The first day we fought an intense headwind to get to our site. Once we got there it started pouring so we set up our tents in giant puddles. The next morning we awoke to the realization that we had to portage all seven canoes and everyone's gear one and a half miles. It took us three separate trips to move all of the gear, that's a long way to carry heavy canoes and gear. Then we paddled fifteen miles, and had another half-mile portage. It was a long day. The next day we paddled for three hours, and then we chilled at the campsite for the rest of the day. We played in the rapids and ate food. The last day we paddled for an hour, then got picked up by Don and Janice and went back to camp.

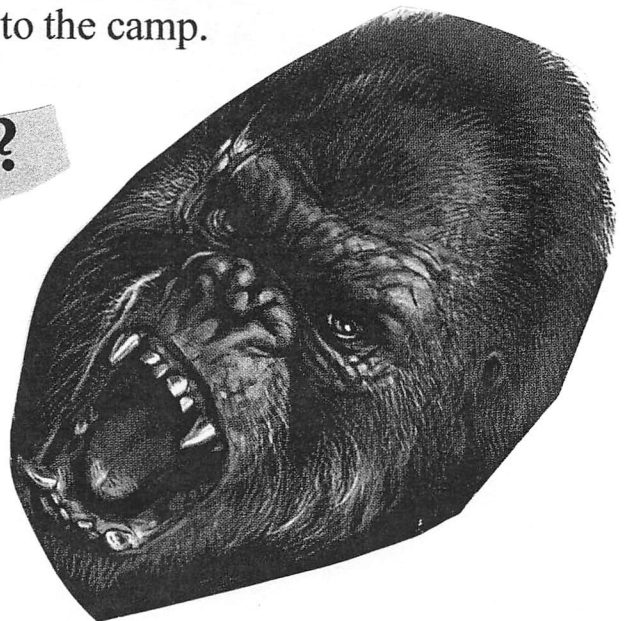
## Faces in the Crowd



# Owls Perch Trip Report 2nd Session

We set out with Chuck Knights and our fearless leader Doug Miller. Our destination, a 3 day 2 night journey to Carter Dome, Mt. Marian and beyond. However, although the to complete this journey was our goal the trip became slightly altered many times due to weather reasons. As we drove to the originally planned trail-head, we heard on the radio thunder storms were supposed to roll through the area. Doug, not wanting to be caught above the tree line with lightening, decided to reverse the trip (we could do the whole trip backwards). By doing this, during the lightning storm we would not be as vulnerable. So we hiked the 4 miles that would have been the last day. As heavy rain beat down on our backs, we reached a lodge. The lodge was close to our campsite so we decided to hang out there for a little while. Inside the lodge we were greeted by thru hikers, friendly caretakers and numerous cups of hot chocolate. While we sat in the lodger Doug went to take a look at our tent site. He came back and informed us that there were puddles in all tent sites. With rain still pouring down, the night looked completely miserable until Doug made the call that we would turn around. He decided we would go back to camp. We hiked back down and arrived in camp a little past dinner time. That night we slept in our own beds. The following day Doug took us on a day trip. The mountain that we would be hiking was called Mt. Madison. It is a 4 mile hike to the summit in those 4 miles we would summit over 4,000 feet. Hoping from rock to rock we climbed and scrambled up the mountain. At the summit we were feed peanut butter and gorp wraps that were hungrily eaten. Now well fed we flew down the mountain in half the time it took to go up. We had a delicious dinner at the van and then made the trip back to the camp.

**Better Late Than Ever?**



# Pete's Palace Trip

1st Session

*The first session Pete's trip was amazing. We all went to Mt. Washington and the Presidentials. On the trip were Jaime Alcibar, Travis Johnson, Zach Lynn, Owen Knights, Nolan Sullivan, Andy Churchill, and Pat Bowden. Our trip leaders were Dave Jenkins, Charlie Knights and Nick Rios. The first day we got to our base camp and set up for the days ahead. After everything was set we decided that we wanted to hike Pine Mountain to kill some time and warm up for the days ahead. After a grueling 25-minute hike we reached the top and turned around and headed back to camp. The second day we hiked Mt. Washington. We started out at around Ten O-Clock and set a hard pace right at the get go. After a 2-mile hike we reached Tuckerman's Ravine. In Tuckerman's we hiked some really steep stuff and saw a huge mound of snow. Right as we reached the top of the mountain it started to rain so we couldn't hike down. Thus began the scariest part of our trip, the ride down Washington. It would have been ok if it weren't for the torrential rain, burning breaks, lightening, speeding, cliffs, steep roads and road rage from some random jeep. In the end we all managed to stay alive and got back to base camp where it was raining. We all played some mafia and ate some Chicken-Rice. The next day we all got up and it was great out we got our daypacks on and started right off on the trail. After hiking for about two hours along a mountain brook we reached some really steep stuff and continued on to our lunch spot. We reached it around 12 and ate, after lunch we hiked a little further and then turned around. As we reached the bottom we stopped for a quick swim and then back to base camp. The next day we returned to camp, and a good time was had by all.*



# Pete's palace **EPIC** trip report

**By Zachary  
Jarman**

Rangeley Lakes '07, the most epic trip of all time. Now there's been some confusion surrounding the tale, but I'm here to set all the facts straight. Day one finds us canoeing a mere mile to our camping site of Birch Island. It was a calm night and we found ourselves drifting to sleep around the fire we started by blowing old embers. We awoke at 6:45, ate breakfast, and then departed for our next site at 8AM. While we had originally planned to stop & eat lunch on Lunch Island, we had made good time and arrived at Student's Island before noon, an island that would soon become all too familiar. After a couple hours of relaxation we ate dinner, then Nolan, Owen, Teddy, and I set off to go fishing. Time passed, the sunset, and I started the walk back to camp with nothing but my boxers, shorts, and fish. After 10 minutes I arrived at a different campsite, though I wasn't worried as I recalled having to take a new trail back to our camp once reaching this point. What I did not know was I had accidentally taken another trail taking me to another campsite, something that I had not realized due to the fleeting light. No matter, I carried on along a dark trail. It only took me about 5 minutes to realize that I had taken the wrong trail and needed to turn back. At that moment I lost my footing and fell down the hill to my right, chucking the fish. I got to my feet and dashed toward the place where I heard the fish flopping around, then grabbed it. Smiling, I looked down at the fish that almost got away. Unfortunately I now found my surroundings dark and unfamiliar, so I started my walk trying to find the trail. 30 minutes later it had gotten considerably darker and I could no longer search for the trail. Still not a worry filled me, for I was on an island and continuing in any direction would lead me to the shore line where I could easily find my way. Another 30 minutes later I now strongly regretted not having a flashlight or source of fire as the forest darkened the already dark night. Now I worried about injuring myself in the dark. Especially with my undressed axe-wound. I decided to set up camp in the forest if I didn't reach the shore in the next 10 minutes. Thus every survival class & tale I'd heard flashed, and I remembered a man who was lost for a week, but kept a positive mental attitude by singing. So started the Pete's Palace Pokemon song. I soon reached the shore and, after a short predicament with extremely territorial squirrels, found Zach Lashley looking for me. I returned to camp elated and ate some s'mores while exchanging stories with my friends. We all returned to our tents and left an hour earlier than the first day, when morning had come. The third day, while already planned to be the longest, had ended up even longer. We took a fast pace and reached Spaulding Cove after our portage more than an hour ahead of schedule. The grins on our faces would soon diminish when we came upon the shore of our missing campsite. Ryan "Ryno" Massey and Zach "Flash" Lashley. Combed the area only to come up empty handed, and so we continued on to find another site. After 10 hours of paddling 1/2 of Mooselookmeguntic and all of lake Richardson, we arrived exhausted at the main office. We then changed campsites to Dri Ki less than 5 minutes away from our pick up spot. Now I myself was exhausted so I quickly helped set up camp, then went to sleep. We awoke lazily and reached the pick-up point. We all sat there an hour and a half ahead of schedule thinking about how cool it would be if Don & Janice came an hour and a half early. Low and behold they arrive within minutes and we excitedly headed for Pat's pizza. We all enjoyed our pizza, soda, and epic trip I only wish I could've perfectly portrayed in this trip report.

# C.I.T. Mad Lib

This C.I.T. year was \_\_\_\_\_. We had a \_\_\_\_\_

group of six young men trying hard to make the transition from camper to staff.

\_\_\_\_\_, a native Floridian, vividly resembled Lenny Kravitz and thought

Brazil had some fine beaches. Ed Cohen, who goes by the name of underhill had

abnormally large \_\_\_\_\_. He hails from Ridgewood, New Jersey, and

he plays a wicked good guitar. Nick Martin from "Cape" enjoys teachin' boatin',

leadin' trips, and yelling "bell" (Bayal). He someday hopes to reunite with his long lost

\_\_\_\_\_ Chelton, He's really cool. Joe Cohen, regarded as a god by John

Tuffy, is an extraordinary mountain biker. He attends Berkshire, the school of

\_\_\_\_\_. Peirce Madden cursed \_\_\_\_\_ at Birch Rock Camp

takes great pleasure in talking to Chewbacca and hails from the royal court of the cats.

Eli Lipsky was only here for \_\_\_\_\_, we don't know him that well. Thanks

for a great summer everybody. Peirce get out of \_\_\_\_\_.

Joe "Spidy" Cohen

Ed "bean Dip" Cohen

Nick "Rivers" Rios

Nick "Trip leader" Martin

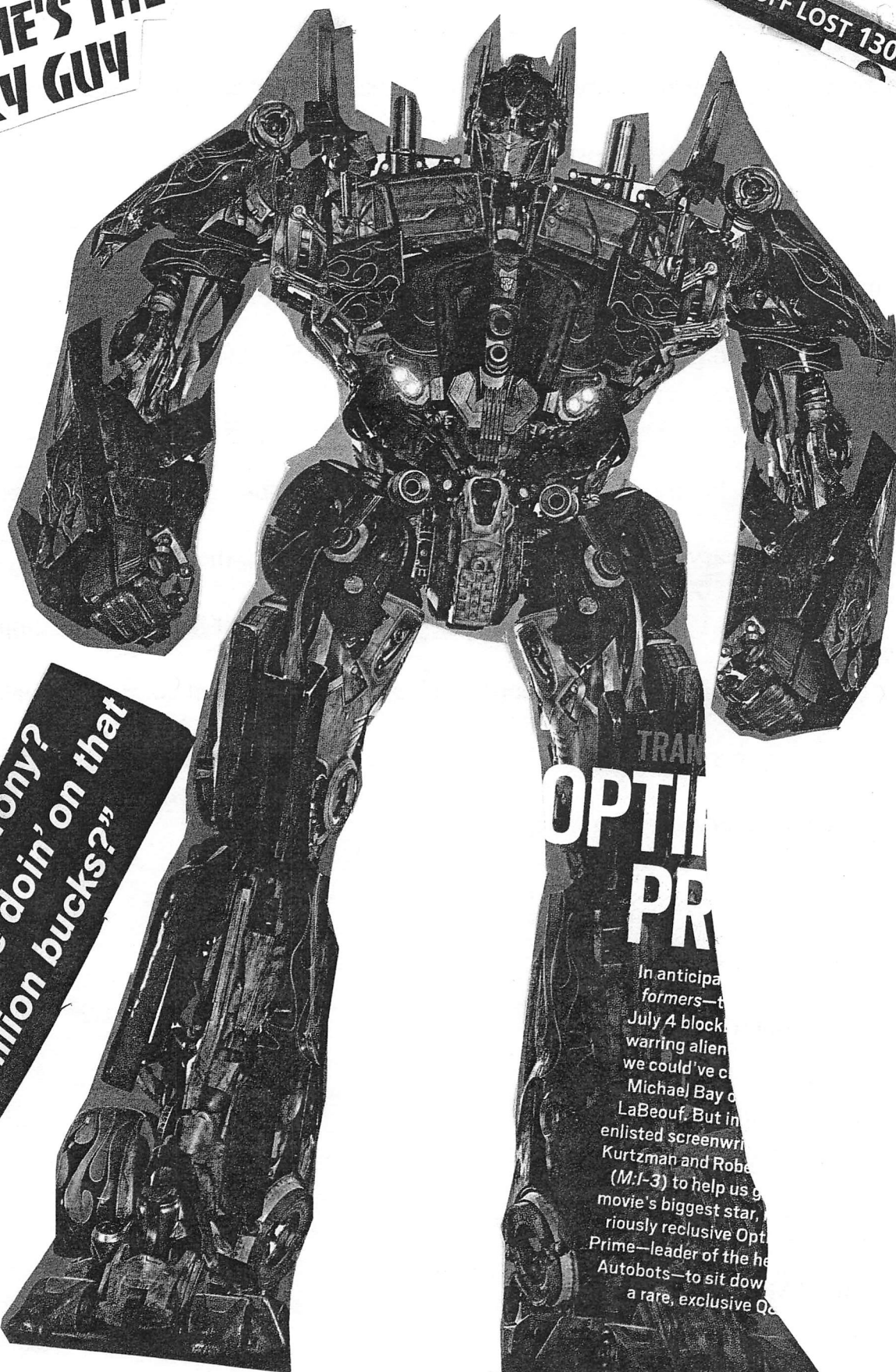
Eli "\_\_\_\_\_" Lipsky

Peirce "Tibault" Madden

**HE'S THE  
WACKY GUY**

MARK LOST 77 LBS.\*

GEOFF LOST 130 LBS.\*



**"Whaddup, Tony?  
How we doin' on that  
million bucks?"**

## TRANSFORMERS OPTIMUS PRIME

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# Mike Mattson Day

By David Florence

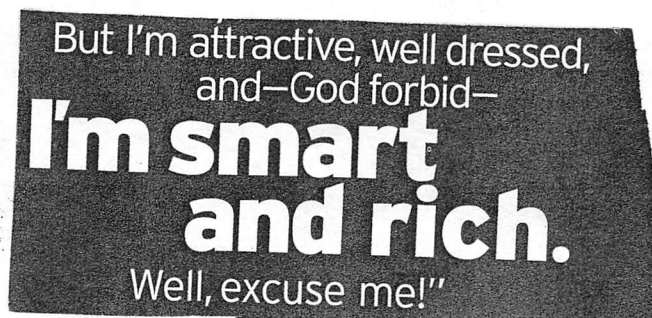
Mike Mattson Day was a day of commemoration dedicated to a man that had given many years of hard work and dedication to the Birch Rock community. The day started with the announcement by Rich Deering that the day would be commemorating Mike's 25 years of service to Birch Rock and a ceremonious donning of the Davey Crockett-style cap. Then, we went to have breakfast, which consisted of Mike's favorite meal, the bacon, egg and cheese, and orange soda, which is his favorite soft drink. Then, after the meal, there was a trivia announcement, because Mike loves trivia, all of the questions pertaining to Mike's favorite colors, dinners, ice creams, candies, etc. Then, we went about business as usual, with the normal activities schedule and what not.

After lunch, the answers to all of the trivia were revealed, and people announced random facts that they knew about Mike. Finally, Matt Clifford, stood up, and let out an announcement that he had been trying so hard to contain. He finally revealed that the theme for the nights' campfire would have to include a character, portrayal, or impersonation of Mike Mattson. Everyone was going to have fun with that one. So, after we did the mail, we went back to our cabins, cleaned up and went on to our normal activities.

However, instead of second rest, the whole camp filed into the lodge, and sat on benches chanting, "Mike! Mike! Mike!" until he came into the lodge. A ceremony then began, opening with speeches from people who had been with Mike throughout his journey at Birch Rock, and those who spoke included Seth Brewster, Toby Brewster, Rich Deering, and Dave Weeks. Then, Doug Miller revealed a brand new plaque dedicated to Mike on the wall in the lodge. We then returned to our cabins for the remainder of second rest until dinner.

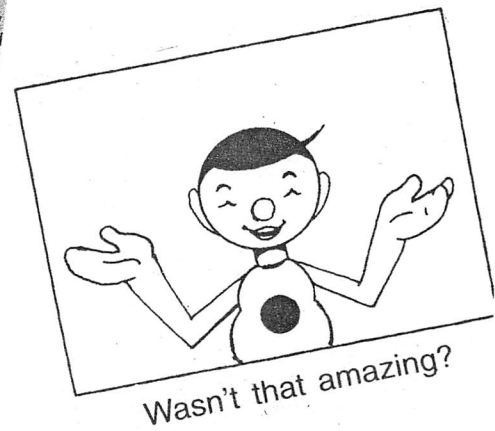
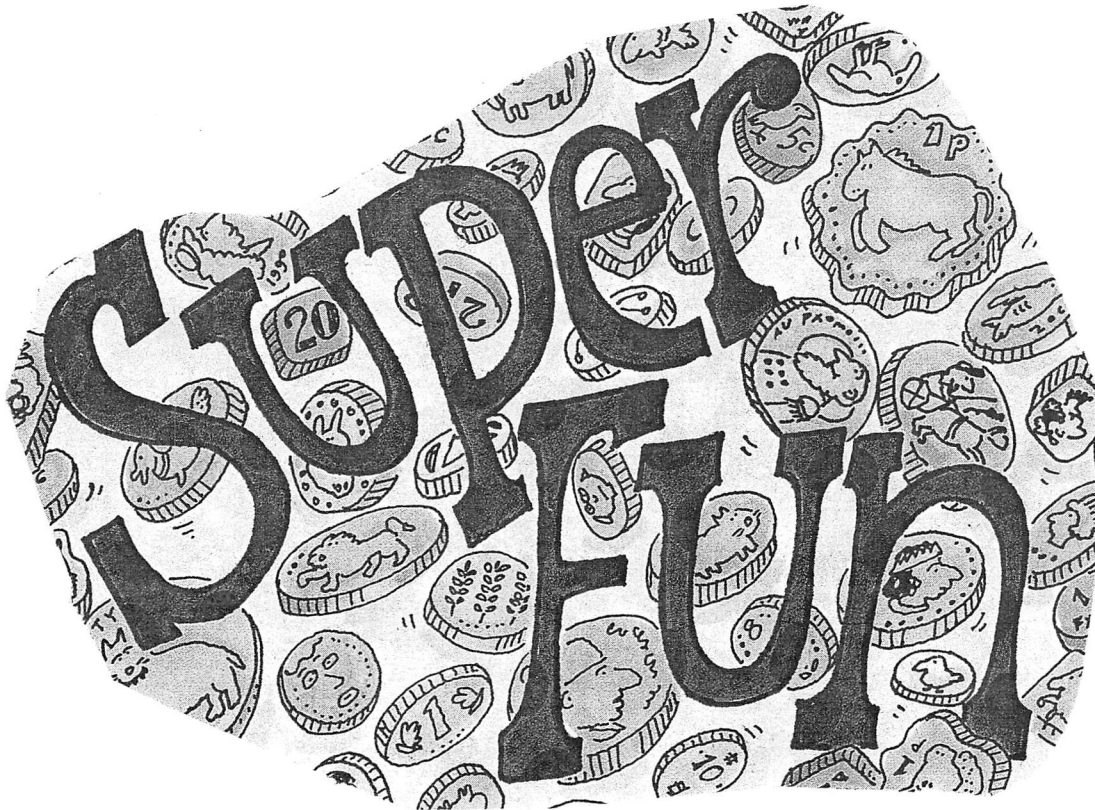
When campfire finally rolled around, Sam Deering and Matt Clifford opened the night with a hilarious and impressive rendition of Billy Joel's "Piano Man". Then, Eagles Nest came up and had Mike Mattson as a judge for auditions for the 2007 Birch Rock Camp Dance Party. Then, several other cabins went, all with equally funny portrayals of the man himself. Finally, Pete's Palace, the Gods Of Skits, came up, and gave the best portrayal of Mike Mattson of the night. They portrayed him in the Pete's Palace arcade, playing Pac-Man, having just coming back from playing an Orioles game.

All in all, a great man that had given so much to our community received the long-due recognition he deserved, and a good time was had by all.



# Turnover Day Report

July 21 was a magical day, to say the least. Besides for the fact that *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* had just been released that morning, it also brought the end of one session and a day of excitement for the full session campers. After waking up at 7:15 and eating a hearty breakfast, 3 ½ week campers brought all of their belongings to the grove to await the arrival of their parents. Tears were shed in large quantities as the first session campers said their final goodbyes. Although they would be dearly missed, the full session campers kept their heads high and moved on without them. Once all the smoke cleared, we were informed that we would be going to spend our day at Big Adventure in Bethel. When we got there, we were free to play laser tag, mini golf, rock climbing, and go on the water slides. Laser tag was the most popular choice and the final match of the day was an epic match between the campers and the staff. Everyone had a blast. After we left Big Adventure, we headed to the Casablanca Cinema. We were treated to a fresh serving of "Ratatouille". Lower and upper campers alike enjoyed the movie. By the time the movie ended we were ready for dinner. Doug drove to Pat's Pizza and picked up a huge order of pizza. We enjoyed the pizza and then we drove back to camp. At camp we played Orb and read Harry Potter, and a great time was had by all!





# Cape Day

One day during the first session news got around that it was National cape day. So being the camp we are, we celebrated this not very well known day. It started out in the morning when we were woken up by Mike Mattson ringing the bell from the roof of the lodge than, with his new found super powers gained from his cape, flew down to start the day of epic super-hero ness. There were many there who had worn capes like the American Weaz, the prince of cats, orbit man, and many others equally important. The day continued with much showing off of the capes and new tricks that the capes gave their wearers, like underwater basket weaving, the ability the play three instruments at the same time, swimming uphill and doing a hand stand on top of the water. As the day came to a end many people were sad that the next day they would have to retire their capes until next year when once again they could be a proud wearer of a cape. (Cape day happens on a Thursday at some point during the summer, that may or may not be on Thursday but one of the other six.)



Goofus paints a toy on the living room rug.

What is it?

# Owls Perch 2nd Session

So this session Owls Perch was pretty solid, the people of the Perch include 7 weekers Robert Donahue, who was tall, David Kane, who was hifty, Damian Freeman, who liked skate boarding and Dmitri Cavaidon'tknowtherest, who did his whale and likes gyros (jeye-rows). RD is pretty cool and was 7 weeks as well. If you see his white iPod headphones, please tell him. Replacing the departed first sessioners, that included Mohammed Adric Shanjiinii Chop Allie, Matt Sutton, Andrew Ziegler, and Josias were the new second session people; Sam Cleaves who had braids and only a few dreads; Chris Cogswell, who refused to cut his fro, and Cole Schlect, who gave out lots of gum. Anyways, half the cabin did their whales and Dmitri danced a hole in the porch. We won inspection a lot because we are ballin'. The counselors in the Perch were cool. We had THE KING, Ryan Royalty, not T.I. and Big Red, Matt Clifford. King left halfway through but is still awesome. Anyways, Owls Perch has been a blast and will be a memorable year for all of its members.

*Water Power*



# Andy's Place

## Pete's Palace 1<sup>st</sup> Session

In 2007, the most epic of all years at Birch Rock, there was a cabin. It was not just any cabin; it was Pete's Palace. There were 8 campers, dare I say legends, which took the mighty burden and privileges of senior camper upon themselves. The first, Jaime "The Spaniard" Alcibar, was a legendary biker known for his epic wheelies. He could also be found teaching the campers Spanish and windsurfing. The second noob to join us was brought here by Ryan "Ryno" Massey, and his name was Zach "The Octopus" Jarman, and he was known for his sister and his crazy campcraft skills. Our resident swimmer was Pat "Aquaman" Bowden. Pat's passions included bed making, cooking, and swimming, Pat could often be seen not talking. Travis "No-Nickname" Johnson was our resident lunatic. Whether he was surfing on Jarman's suitcase or jumping around like a Hiltonite with a cup of coffee, Travis never stopped reminding us of his questionable sanity. Travis was often sighted at campcraft and soccer. Andy "Megan" Churchill was often found pwning in basketball or being pwned in tennis. Zach "Pickles"/ "Slaz" Lynn kept it real first session. Whether at campcraft, kayaking, or tennis, Zach performed at an awe-inspiring level. Nolan "I-am-so-much-cooler-than-Connor" Sullivan was one of the most entertaining and useful members of our cabin. He could either be found making fires for us or stuck in the rafters. Owen "Ka-Nights" Knights enjoyed speaking Spanish with Jaime, playing tennis, or sailing. Our counselor, Mike "Nurdy" Nordblom, could be found either driving trips or on a day off. There is no doubt that one day this cabin's adventures will disappear from all human memory. But until that day, we shall remember how we led, laughed, and learned while we set the bar for a truly awesome summer.

**AIMING  
FOR  
PERFECTION**



## Pete's Palace Cabin Report Second Session

In the 7<sup>th</sup> month of the 2007<sup>th</sup> year A.D. a fellowship was born. With dual missions to finish the Biroca and to have the most awesomest summer ever, Pete's Palace was brought into being. Nolan Sullivan of the Cape of Elizabeth was our first warrior. Dedicated to the Tao of Campcraft, Nolan put his survival skills to the test for the cabin by catching tasty fish and making fires for us. Our second warrior Patly "Aquaman" Bowden from the previously unknown town of West Cumberland was our aquatics man. From swimming the third fastest whale to starting a canoeing trip that very day Patly was a beast on the waterfront. Due to an unfortunate accident at a young age Patly rarely spoke. Dave "Un Poco Loco" Florence was straight outta the mean streets of Green Witch. Dave dominated in tennis defeating Shaunathan O'Toole and barely losing in an epic battle of mythic proportions to the Weaz. However Dave had a dark side, one night in a fit of rage Dave struck down the helpless innocent, Fred the light bulb. Zach "She's 12" Jarman straight outta da ATL was our most absent minded cabin mate. Jarman got lost on our trip in futile attempt to save Jaime the fish, who was later consumed in the fires of the Student Island volcano. Andy "I hate Megan" Churchill was from the outskirts of nowhere. He could be found pwning from the waterfront to the field. To campcraft, baseball and oh sorry I got distracted yeah Andy great guy really. Teddy Brown from "Dylantown", Massachewsets was in our cabin. He liked hitting Pickles when he did stupid things as well as nature, archery and campcraft. Owen "New Jersey's nicer than you think" Knights was our cabin's field expert. He often found cowering in his brother's shadow. Owen was an avid lacrosse player. One day he mistook the light bulb for a lacrosse ball and smashed it to pieces. And then our final warrior, myself. I am known by many names Pickles, Slaz and even Fumpkin by a few. My true name is Samuel Zachary Lynn. I liked to spend my time running away from Zach Lashley, scaring people from the rafters and kayaking. I have tried my very best to preserve the awesomenosity in but one cabin report. I have no doubt that one day our exploits will be forgotten but it is not this day and so we carry on.

# Going Hardcore

## Hilton B Strawberry Picking

We went strawberry picking. Andrew's favorite part was eating strawberries and having them on waffles. Alex Newman's favorite part was having ice cream and picking strawberries. Patrick's favorite part was seeing what you could make out of strawberries. Agustin's favorite part was telling jokes in the van and eating strawberries and a good time was had by all.

The secret to longevity:  
limit the red meat, avoid  
"chicken-fried" anything,  
and drive a vehicle  
with Electronic Stability  
Control standard.

# Hilton B Trip Report

We went on a two-day trip to Crooked River. Augustine really enjoyed when a tree fell over. Andrew really liked the food. Alex enjoyed hiking and the food. Patrick liked when they reached the summit of the mountain and let the frog go. "And a good time was had by all".

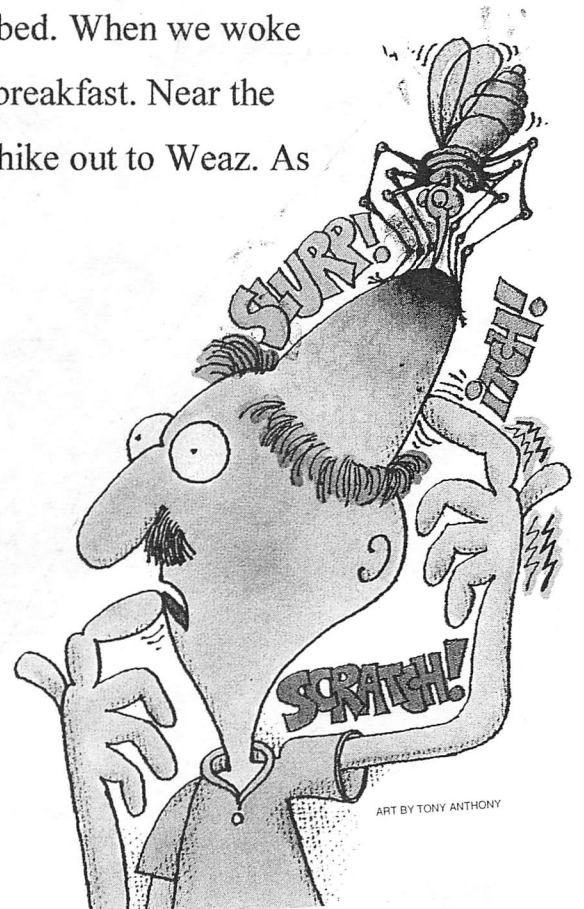




# Cabin 1 and 2 Trip Report

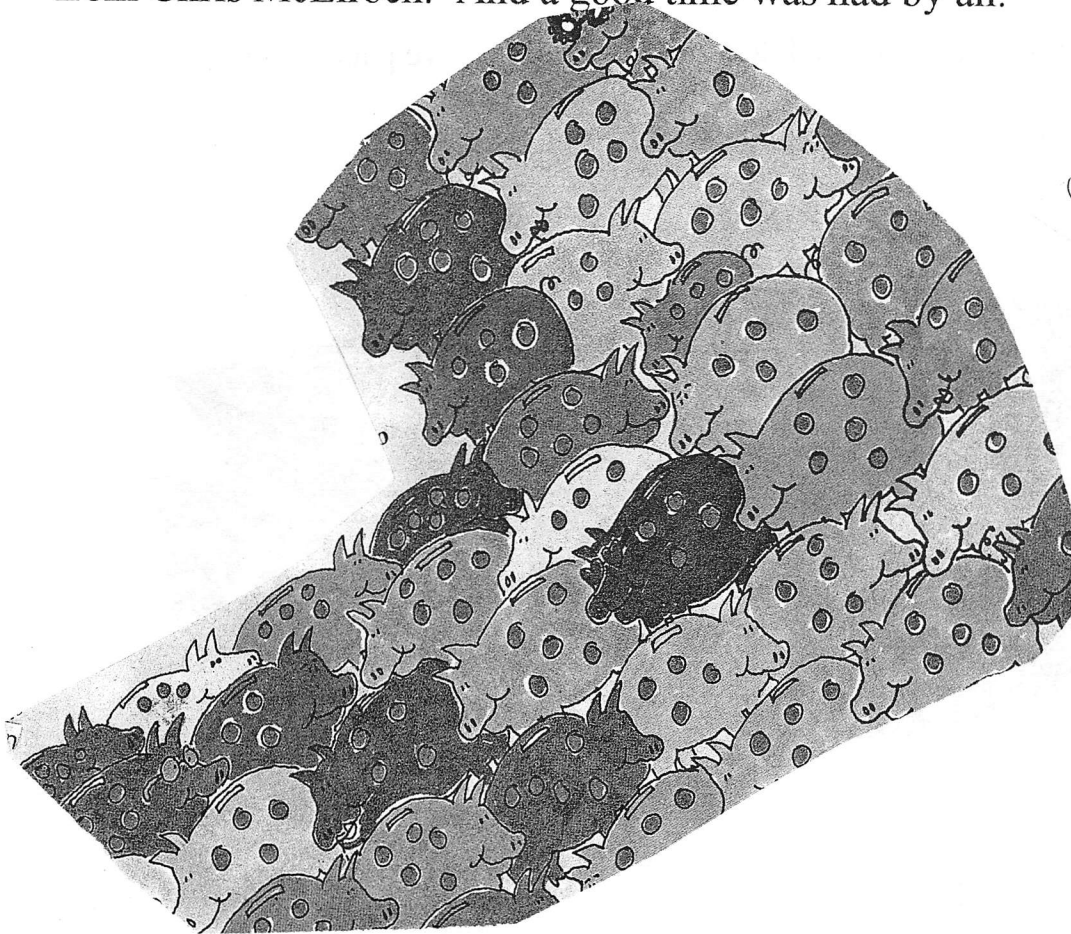
This year we went to the Crooked River although we had to have fun with thunder. We had a short walk past the river to our campsite. When we got there we put up our tents and got settled in. Once the thunder stopped we got to go swimming. We walked to the river after a short walk and we could hear the splashing of the rapids in the swift river. After that we went back to camp and we played games until dinner was ready. Then we gathered rocks for a fire pit. Then we went on a search for dry wood, which was hard to find because it rained all morning. Once we got the fire going it was a lot of fun. We told stories, had smores and laughed. It was perfect, but then we had to go to bed. When we woke up we went for a swim after we took our tents down and ate breakfast. Near the end of our great journey we got our packs on and decided to hike out to Weaz. As we got there he had just pulled in. We loaded up the van...

And a good time was had by all!



## Cabin 3 and 4 Trip Report First Session

On our drive to the campsite we stumbled upon a road block. So we went to camp and went to Crooked River. Zach's favorite part swimming in the river. Matt's was also swimming in the river. Curtis and Ned's favorite parts were swimming. Henry liked the snake and Eli liked swimming. Nordy and King led the trip with help from Chris McElroen. And a good time was had by all.



*RARE FINDS* 7

**Are You Talkin' to Me?**

# Cabin 5 & 6 Trip Report

Second session we went to Baldpate Mountain. After our 2.5 mile hike we arrived at a leanto, which we found out was for through hikers. Those are the people who hike the whole Appalachian Trail. After we set up camp, we went to pump water at a stream. When we got back we had a second rest, then we had dinner. It was good. The next day we hiked a mile up the top of South Baldplate. It had a great view. Once we took a picture of the hazy view, we headed down the mile. Later we packed up camp and finished our trip. A good time was had by all.

-Anonymous

**The Big One  
That Got Away  
(Again)**



**D'oh! My  
Goodness**



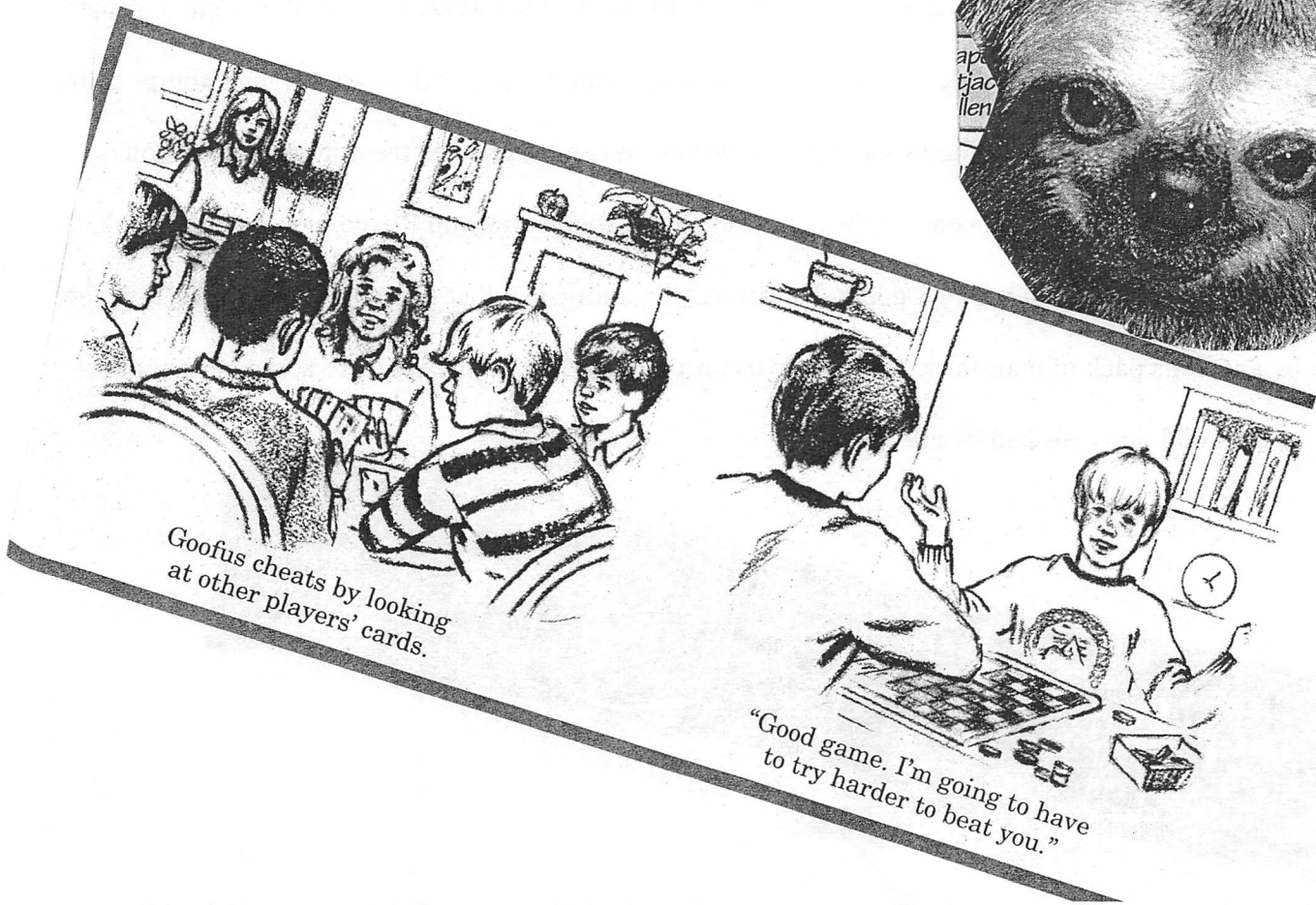
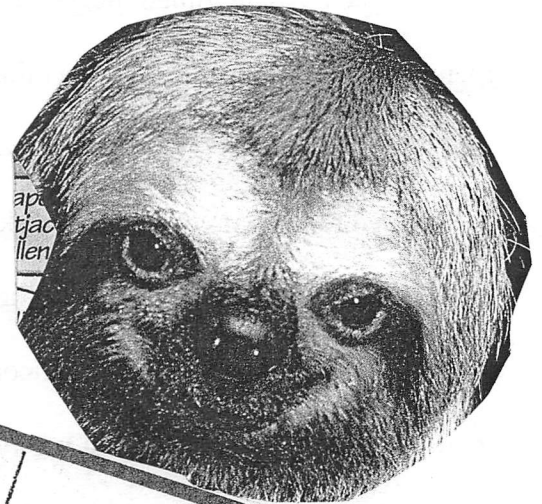
## Cabin 536 trip report

Thanks to Doug, cabins 6&5 had a trip to Emerald Pool and Royce Mountain. Led by Nordy, King and Chris McElroen, we set off after lunch on our short van ride to Hastings campground near the border of Maine and New Hampshire. After setting up camp, we hopped in the van and started off to Emerald pool. Entertained by Tenacious Deed, we got there in no time and began the quick hike to Emerald Pool with our towels. When we got there, Peter Robins insisted he Jumped off the rock first to make sure it was safe. It was a 17 foot drop into cold water. After Peter jumped, he ran out of the water really fast. A thumbs up confirmed it was safe to commence the jumping. By the time we were done, we had at least jumped 5 times each and were ready to leave. After a couple action photo shots, we began the hike back to the van. When we got back to the campsite, the councilors started making a delicious dinner of spaghetti and meat sauce. To keep us entertained King found us a blue ball in his car that we played pass with. A couple of games in, we got visited by Adam and the demon queen. Adam joined the game and whenever someone other than him got the ball, he threatened to slay them with his slaying staff that he killed over 5,000 demons with. When dinner was ready we raced to the table and gorged ourselves. Then went to bed. We woke up early to find that it was raining but after a quick debate we decided to hike any way. For breakfast we had bagels and peanut butter and dry oatmeal and gorp. After breakfast we packed up our wet belongings and got in the van. When we reached the trailhead we put on our light packs with only water and raincoats in them and began our epic journey up Royce mountain. It was like a rainforest, foggy and humid, but we kept going. Unfortunately, a little less than two miles up the trail, we were assaulted by a vicious pack of man-fairies that made us turn around. In no time, we were at the bottom of the mountain and a good time was had by all.

**BRING IT**

# Cabin 7 & 8 Trip Report

Cabin 7 & 8 hiked Mount Bald Face and then went to Emerald Pool. The trip was epic, especially with Ryno and Ryan McElroen leading the way as our trip leaders. It was a two day, one night hike. Once we got to Bald Face Shelter, we stayed there overnight. After a good night sleep and a nice tasty bowl of oat meal, we continued hiking. Once we got to the summit of the mountain there was a great view. Next we hiked down the mountain, and arrived at Emerald Pool. The water was freezing but everyone swam. Everyone jumped off the huge cliff into the water. Finally we hiked another mile back to the cars. "And a good time was had by all".



# Geronimo Weekend

This year's Geronimo weekend can only be adequately be described as "epic". Any other work would do no justice to this "epic" weekend. After an exiting and rather haunting introduction, we battled throughout and entire day of teamed activities. And after a brief rain to prepare the fields of battle we clashed. After both teams had exhausted themselves, and no clear winner was distinguished, a short staff vs. camper game ensued. And finally, a refreshing general swim washed away the grass stains and sweat that told the tale of the fun that we had.

**The Gecko speaks out.**

**Pump Up  
the Fun**

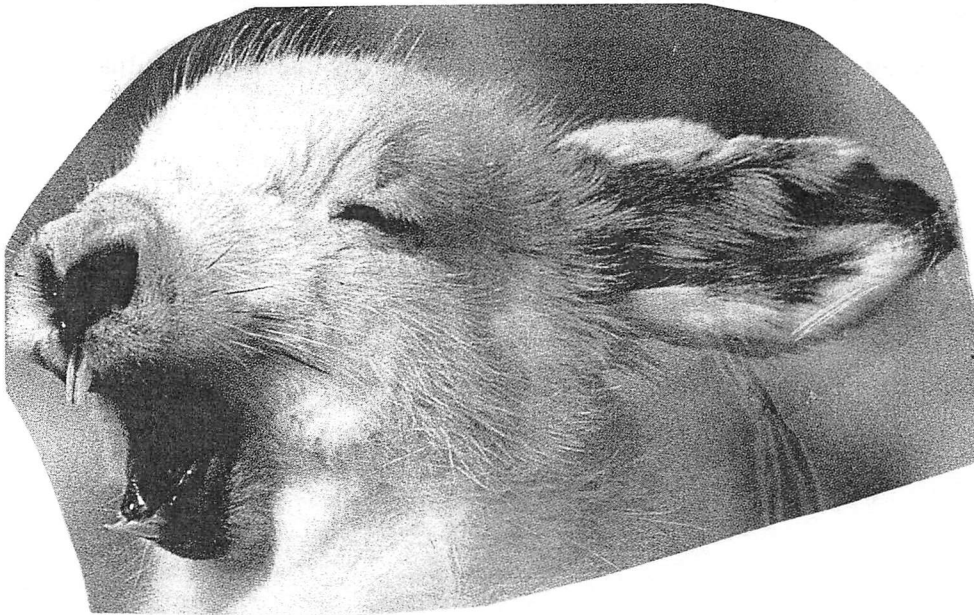
Leading Lights

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Foot hit ball in game you  
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We played Winona in soccer. They  
had Pele and Beckham. It was so  
unfair. They were at least fourteen.  
Gosh darn I wanna go Narnia.



NUKUM

We played nukum.  
It was like volleyball except we caught the ball.  
Everybody had fun and we tied, ponies to rainbows!  
Hooray!  
Everyone tried really hard to do good at the nukum  
Hooray!

Neutron Nate Howard led all of his fellow campers to the tie, and everyone had a great time

# Road Race

Written By Pat Bowden

One morning at around the time when the sun comes up Andrew Clemence woke up four lucky people to go run in the Casco Days road race. Rich Deering, our drive drove us to the place of registration. We all sat around as 650 more people showed up and were loaded onto buses to travel four miles to the start line. There we waited for another undefined amount of time as all the runners got bused to the start line. Then the gun set us of and we all started to run, the race went on in normal running fashion. Running then getting a terrible cramp and then running even more. The run continued for four mile back to were we got on the buses. With many sprinklers and hoses to run through along the way. At the finish there was lots of bottles of water and the paramedics waiting for those people like me who may need assistance in case of a sever loss of their balance, thankfully it wasn't needed. When it was over the standings were release and they were as follows: Andrew Clements 10<sup>th</sup>, Chris Cogswell 17<sup>th</sup>, Nick Rios 42<sup>nd</sup>, Sam Cleaves 118<sup>th</sup> and me (Pat Bowden) taking up the rear for BRC getting 152<sup>nd</sup>. We all had very much fun at the race, as much could be had, and decided to make it an annual event for BRC.

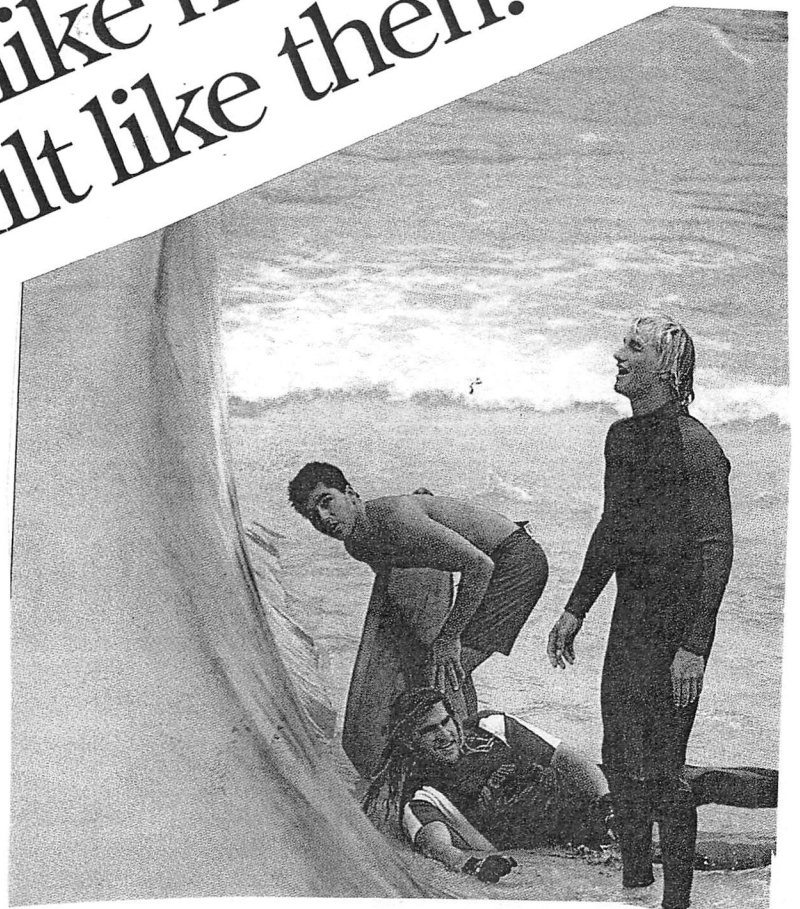
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**The  
Running  
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# Beach Day

We do Beach Day. It be fun. We play many koob. Da water was cold not cold enough from keeping us from swimming. Many of the campers of the upper of the 2 camps of the birch rock of the birch rock camp pursue womens. **We have good time. We love beach.**

It looks like now,  
but it's built like then.



### **Fourth of July parade!**

On the fourth of July, lower camp went to the Waterford School for the parade. No cars were in the streets so the lower campers marched and sang several songs including Chant of the Chesty Child, Birch Rock Marching Song, and Semper Fidelis. On the sides of the streets, people lined up to watch our impressive camp sing away. Some were so awestruck by the amazing musical talent of the lower campers that they threw sugary delights to them. While lower camp partook of the glory that was the parade, upper camp played Koob and Bocce. In the afternoon, the whole camp played Field Olympics! For dinner we had ribs with orange soda and for dessert, we had banana splits. Next, the camp watched Toy Story. After that, we all went up to the field and watched the *AMAZING* fireworks.

**Driving While Lohan**





# **Garden Party**



There was no garden at the Garden Party. This was very first thing Svetski noticed as he do his best manly strut-walk through the door to the dance floor. The next thing Svetski notice is that many lovely American girls are waiting for him inside. Much better than any garden, I say. I am not accustomed to the discos, and ballrooms of America. You see, Svetski is from a nation that exists many oceans and much traveling from Waterford Maine. A land where phrases like "Political Correctness", "Self-Respect", "Humility", and "Jigga-What?" don't exist. But Camp of Birch Rock has taught me manners, customs, basic English, and even how to correctly use the phrase "Jigga-What?" I just hope these skillful skills will assist me in locating a dancing partner that isn't homely or bow-legged. Nay, Svetski is interested in a female as tall and gorgeous as the Liberty Statue, who stands in the city known as "Large Apple", and "Town that is never sleeping". Except not metal like Optimus Prime, and not carry a dangerous torch of flames. And probably no holding a book either, because girls have little reading power. So maybe not so much like the Liberty Statue at Large Apple.

Anyways, I continue my woman search with much talking. Once I heard somewhere that girls of America value sensitivity and personality, over external beauty. This make Svetski happy, for my face is that one struck repeatedly with a large kayak paddle. I try to converse and make much laughter with the girls of States of United America. But not fortunately, there is some wacky custom of America that I was not aware of. When Svetski extend hand in friendly gesture to perform "Shaking of Hands". The female in question would make giggly noise, then look to friend with scared eyes. Then they all run away to some man known as Andy Churchill. After a number of rejections, Svetski's heart feel like that time when he ate whole tub of Vaseline with a spoon, bad. And then, I saw her. Her name was Megan, so I pretended to care. She was more beautiful than childbirth of Yak, which is very much beauty. Of course, I make compromises too. But despite Megan's lack of facial hair, belly fat, and poor knowledge of goat herding, I talk to her all night. During this period of talk, I learn she likes Cheerios, Cheese, and "Lost". I think of that as a program on the Television. She like man who where toga and who like coffee. Then we dance together for many a song, which gave great enjoyment to both of us. When the night ended and it was time for us to break apart, we took part in an awkward yet romantic hug. Then boys of Camp Birch Rock left like little gentle men. Svetski happy.

## Campfire Report

This year at campfire we wept, we chortled, we "omigoshed!", we giggled, and we laughed. From it all, we at the Screen Actors Guild would like to extend muy muy kudos...

### Kudos

Matt Clifford and Sebby Weeks

Plot!

Inside jokes

Musicality

Laughing at oneself

Laughing at each other

Laughing together

Characters

Finely-crafted chaos

And some things must be killed...

### Ke-Boshed

Lightsabers

Facing away from the crowd when talking

Arguing over who starts the skit

Saying hi to "(insert real name here)" on stage

CIT 2007 skits

**Cooking for Love**

- Your friendly guest MC, Sammy Deeran



## Pete's Pokémon Parody

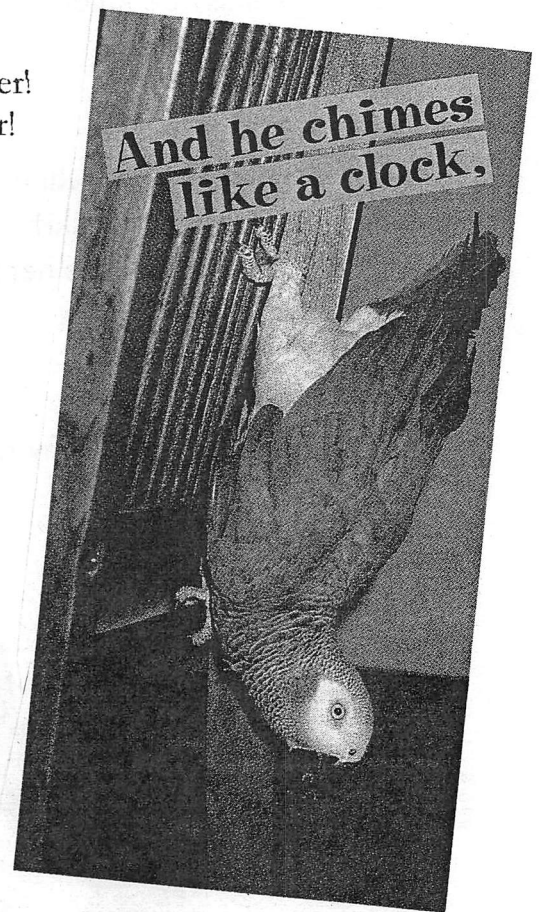
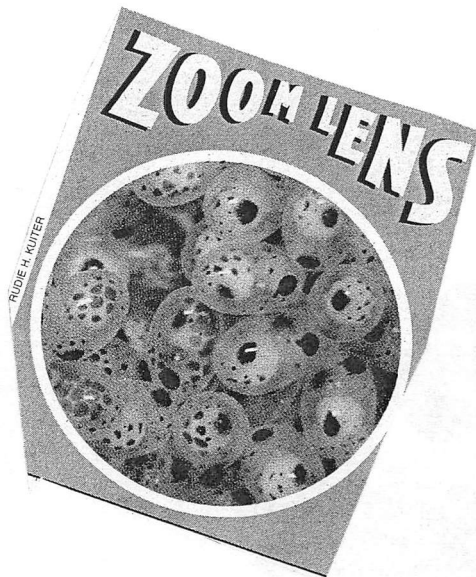
I wanna be the very best, that Birch Rock ever saw.  
To get the badge is my real test, to gain them is my cause.  
I will travel across the camp, from the waterfront to the field.

(chorus)

BRC, gotta get 'em all.  
Will you help me, I know its our destiny,  
BRC, Ooohhh you're my real test, in a camp that is the best.  
BRC, gotta get 'em all.  
Work so hhhhaarrrrddd, my courage will pull me through.  
Weez taught me and I'll teach you.  
BRC, gotta get 'em all,  
Gotta get 'em all.

I'll go swimming everyday, training for my whale.  
Though I'll do double periods, I'll still have time to sail.  
I'll be reading Harry Potter, which has Hermione Granger!  
But when I'm done, I'll carry on and try to get my ranger!

(chorus)



SIGN OF THE  
**APOCALYPSE**

**T-O Double-D Rap**

**All-** When I say T-O you say double-D

T-O-----double-D

T-O-----double-D

**Chorus-** T-O - Double-D

Tell me what those 4 letters mean to me

C-O - Double B

That's his last name bra, can't you see

**"Randy Andy" Clemence**

Now tell me, you see him on the paths

You say Double-D as he turns and laughs

He walks his own walk and talks his own talk

He tries to stay fly as he's chillin' on the boating docks

He's Todd and he represents his own crew

He stays so fresh wit dat Blue Devil Blue

Y'all know he's got the ice in his grill

Fresh outta college but his pocket's at a mill

Under Armour be his game he sports that tight sleeveless blouse

You better get out of his way cuz he must protect this house

My name is Randy Andy man ya know it's me

I'm here with A-Bo and da big boss Sammy D

**Chorus**

**Sammy D**

I see a little silhouette of a man

He's tall, he's smart, he's got a PFD tan

He's the gold standard for compassion

All campers line up and follow the fashion

Cuz he's the best new counselor since that dude named Kashan

I remember one night I was suddenly cold

Todd was there with some chicken soup for my soul

He's always givin' and sayin' hello!!!

He defines the phrase of "Help the other fellow"

But above all else Todd is one humble dude

When it comes to hard labor he's got the best attitude

Cuz he knows, confidence is one true virtue

But cockiness, boys, that will always burn you



**SAY WHAT?**



From Duke to Weaz to BRC  
I'll tell you what those 4 letters mean to me  
It means I want to be just like you  
T-O - Double-D, giggity giggity giggity gooo!!!

### Chorus

#### A-Bo

He's here at Birch Rock thanks to the Weaz  
Bustin' little kids if they didn't eat their peas  
Put your napkin in your lap and sit up straight  
His rules are quite simple and not ornate  
Here to teach boating, he's in charge of that  
Coolest guy at Duke, he's the VP of his frat  
Ya know he's known to make the ladies melt  
Cuz he's the cat that hails from the Bible Belt  
Came from a little town but had big dreams  
Se la vi or so it seems

But my main man made it can't you see  
Cuz T-O - Double-D is at the BRC  
Cuz T-O - Double-D is at the BRC  
Cuz T-O - Double-D is at the BRC

#### Final Chorus

T-O -Double-D  
Tell me what those 4 letters mean to me  
C-O -Double-B  
Hello Todd Cobb welcome to our humble family

A QUARTER POUND<sup>\*</sup>  
OF TEMPTATION.

# Pete's Palace

## ARCADE

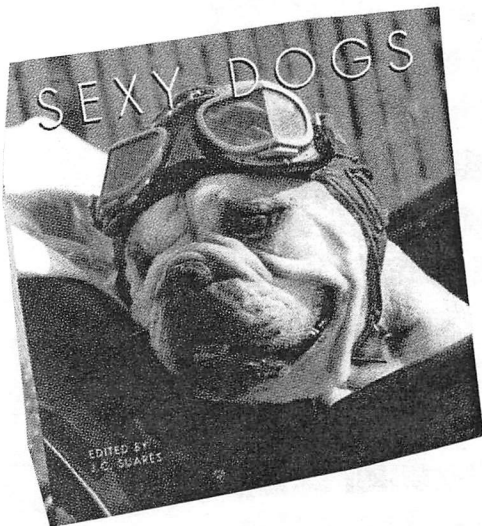
There's been much talk about the Pete's Palace Arcade this year, and thus I figured I'd throw together a report. This year the arcade had a new locking system with a key card scanner under the infamous "Third Rock on the Left," with Pete's Palace campers and certain ranking staff members holding the only cards. Apart from the old favorites like Pac-Man and Time Crisis 2, our very own Ryan "Ryno" Massey was more than happy to lend his Xbox 360 he had over the summer. Of course while it brought quite a crowd it soon met its match, the Wii. Yes, we were lucky enough to have a temporary donation for the summer. The Wii quickly became the most fun and interesting thing in the arcade, even drawing Mike Matson away from Pac-Man. Luckily, though the summer may be ending, we have all left a little bit of ourselves with the Wii with the several Mii characters made after campers and staff. Now off to the fun stuff. Owl's Perch found themselves banned from being invited in after they devoured all of the nachos in a single session. Matt Clifford placed high score in Time Crisis 2 with an amazing time of 30 minutes and 27 seconds. By far the most popular and classic game that resides in the arcade is Pac-Man. Two of the three high scores were achieved this year. Although Nordy still holds the top score, Buck Hard and Thomas Joyce were both replaced in the top three. Teddy Brown and Andrew St. George both overtook the legends in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Now I'm sure you're all wondering how Andrew managed that, and luckily there is a simple answer. Doug Miller had worked hard to place in the high scores to add Andrew as a prank. On that subject, several lower campers have been found searching underneath Pete's Palace, Matt Eisner for one. None of who have found a clue to the entrance. Speaking of which, I take this time to give my respect and appreciation to the great mind who came up with the idea to place the key card scanner away from the entrance thus making sneaked entry even more difficult, the one and only Mike "Nordy" Nordblom.

I will leave you all with these parting words. Any non-senior camper claiming to have been in the arcade was soulfully mistaken. I hope this clears up all the surrounding rumors.

# Casino Night

We had no idea what was going on. We had nice cloths on and we were all lined up at flagpole and Thomas Joyce gave us a nice long speech about it. Then as we went inside we collected ten chips (wooded blocks). There were tables with staff sitting at them with signs that announced the game for the table. There was Black Jack, high-low, dice games, war, and Texas hold em. Everyone got a lot of chips. Well when the day came to an end campers were stacking up their chips, when it came time to end, the people with the most chips stayed behind to see whom the winners were. The top three by number of chips got a prize.

Punk, funk, and  
bluegrass: Standard



## Lacrosse Activity Report

Lacrosse was heaps of fun this summer at BRC. Lots of kids earned badges and improved their skillz. Damian Freeman ripped up the field with his speed and moves. Connor McLaughlin brought some defensive long pole expertise with him from lacrosse's real home New Jersey. Nate Howard jukeed defenders out of their shoes with his low-center of gravity cuts. Owen Knights created mass confusion with neck snapping stick fakes. RD Weeks demonstrated perfect defensive form as a defensive midfielder. Cole Schlecht brought the chill to the hill with his laid back laxing style. Nick Hall was only a cubs camper, but he made a lasting impression in his two weeks with incredible experience for his age. Charlie Fay, the son of the king of lax in Maine, was a natural. There were a lot more mad laxers on the hill, but this was as many as I could think for now. If I forgot you don't take it badly. There's always another year to chilax on the field. Have a good season, and we hope to see you again next year.

## Soccer Activity Report

It's been a top season up on the pitch this year at football. Some dandy matches were played and badges were all over. The kids got mad good at soccer. The game against Winnona was a bangin' good time. Shots were flying and almost everyone had a good time. We had a guest appearance by Beckham while on his way to LA for his first game. He showed us some really cool moves, and now over 25% of campers can "Bend it Like Beckham." When the US under 18 team came for a match we really surprised them with our team of fifteen and unders. The final score was 1-0 Birch Rock. Overall we competed on the highest level against some of the world's best and everyone who signed up had fun and got a little better.

Will He Change the Fate of American Soccer?



# Boating Report

This year was the return of boating! With an old boat totally refurbished and with two brand new boats, the BRC rowing fleet was in full force. Our three boats were "Old Faithful", "The Tub" and the "Silver Bullet".

Two campers, RD Weeks and Pat Bowden lead the charge in boating this year earning the advanced "whaler" badges. In addition four senior "Seaman" badges were given out, and over ten junior "GOB" badges were given out. A new record and an awesome year for boating.

*Chickens Need Love Too!*



## **Tennis Activity Report**

Tennis was an incredible activity this year. Almost everyday the maximum number of kids would come out and have some fun on the court. With the McElroen's doubling up first and third period and Sean taking second and fourth it turned out to be a great year for this activity. In the first session there were many badges earned including one advanced badge by Nathaniel Young. He came to tennis everyday and showed an amazing passion for the sport. In the second session there were many more campers coming out to tennis especially in the oldest group second period. Andy Churchill, Owen Knights, Zach Lynn, Sam Cleaves, Dave Florence, and Robert- David Weeks would come down to the courts and work really hard in search of their advanced badges. Many of these guys were here for seven weeks and came down everyday. After all of their hard work and dedication all of these guys have definitely earned their advanced tennis badge.

**Are You Ready for  
Your Close-Up**



## **Baseball Activity Report**

This year far beyond the rock wall at baseball we had an awesome year. In the first session there was nothing quite as epic as third period. With an average of almost ten kids a day a game was always an option. Alasdair and really enjoyed the company everyday. In the second session we got some help from a very useful CIT Eli Lipsky and had just as much fun. Although attendance in the second session was down significantly games were occasionally played and a good time was still had by all. There were many junior and senior badges earned this year but there were only three advanced badges. Matt Guttman, Alex Chapin, and Chris "Scramble" Huston earned these in the first session. Baseball was a great activity this year and Alasdair and I would like to thank everyone who signed up!

**BE A PLAYER**

PEACE OUT!  
Sean O'Toole

**Look on the  
Bright Side...**

**At least he didn't  
interrupt your nap.**



# Windsurfing

This year we had a great 1<sup>st</sup> session, lots of wind and a few dedicated windsurfers made it a great group to teach. Chris Rios came down every day and earned hje onl;y senior badge of the year. Second session we had a broader group who came down. Bob Donahue was working on his advanced badge and a ton of junior badges including Chris Cogswell, RD Weeks, Curtis Whiting, and H-Gun.

Unfortunately, windsurfing could not be offered to the Otters, but we'll work on that next year. There were only a few days in 2<sup>nd</sup> session when we had decent wind, but when we did we cranked out a bunch of one day Junior badges.

Mountain Troll  
Diet: Raw flesh—be it wild animal or human  
Disposition: Violent





# The Price Is Right

## Volleyball

This year at volleyball was awesome. We got tan and we had fun doing it. Oh, and we also played volleyball. Earning their junior badges this year were Andy Edwards, Markus Foley, Matt Guttman, Sam Ricciardi, and Ben Foley. Although no seniors came out this year, we had RD Weeks earning the exclusive Advanced Badge.

Unfortunately, this year, the Otters didn't have the option of playing volleyball. This didn't stop a handful of them from coming up and playing a spectacular game of Nuke 'Em against Winiona. They played like teammates and gentlemen and came out with the win three games to one.

Overall, this year at volleyball was a great time. Have a fun off-season!

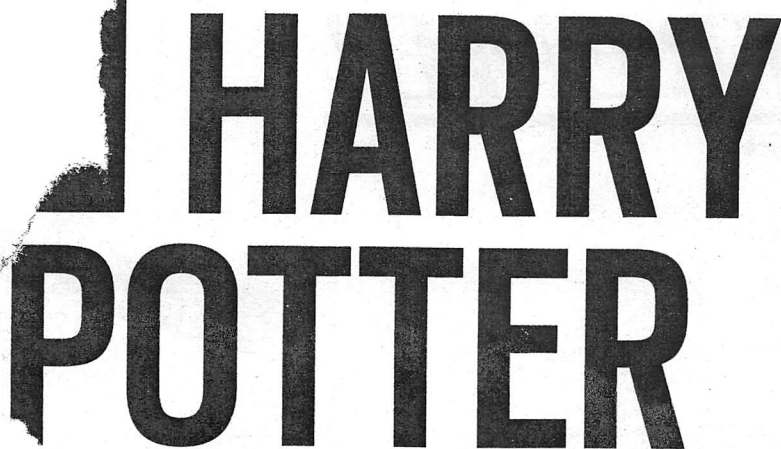
-Alasdair



## Sailing Activity Report

Sailing this year was exhilarating, fun, and boombastic. I give my eternal thanks to Nordy, who inspired me every day to challenge any young sailor who came down to sailing. Also Nick Martin's help late in the summer was immeasurable. Without his help the program would have come to a grinding halt. The wind gods of Lake McWain were very generous early in the year with crazy winds the like we haven't seen for nearly a decade. Many a young sailor tried to harness the power and ended up capsized and reeling from being tossed into the late June waters. But as the summer progressed so did their skills and soon the Birch Rock fleet was tacking and jibing all over the lake. Highlights from this summer include a two period excursion to Seal Rock and back. It would have made a great picture, the eleven of us standing on seal rock holding our sailboats by the painters. Among all the fun many badges were earned. The young guns dominated by earning 14 deckhands throughout the summer. Much of that must be credited to Nordy for his everlasting energy and enthusiasm during first period sailing. The older lads also proved their skill and three skippers were earned this year to Pat Bowden, Gabe Dreyer, and David Kane. Nothing gave me more pleasure this summer than seeing six or seven boats out on the water with their sails tight to the wind, totally owning Lake McWain. Until next summer, may your wind be steady and sails always full.

-Erik Joelsson



**HARRY  
POTTER**

AND THE ORDER

# **Mountain**

# **Biking**

# **Foo!**

The Write  
Stuff

This year in mountain biking was a doozie. It was full of great trails, trips, and much much more. Often times we found ourselves bombing around campus jumping off random rocks and staircases, finding new technical trails or just plain speeding. Maintenance was a large portion of the program, as many kids learned the ins and outs of changing tires, tuning brakes & derailleurs, and truing wheels. We were fortunate enough to take multiple trips to Hawk Mountain, considering everybody loves the view from the top. There was a vast number of new bikers this year as many junior badges were earned. By the end of the year, there was one senior camper who had done everything in his power to get his advanced badge. Through countless hours of riding, maintaining, and learning his bike, he earned his elite biking badge. He has joined the ranks of the four people who had previously earned it. I would like to thank Alex McLaughlin especially, for his dedication to the program. He came out to biking everyday possible, and always wanted to improve his skills. I would like to also give a special thanks to Tom Clemence and Joe Cohen for their assistance with the program throughout the year. As a final word I would also like to thank the campers who constantly came out, making the activity what it has become today. Thank you all so much for an exciting adventurous year in mountain biking.

# **EXTREME!**

- Andrew Clemence

EMBRACE CHAOS.

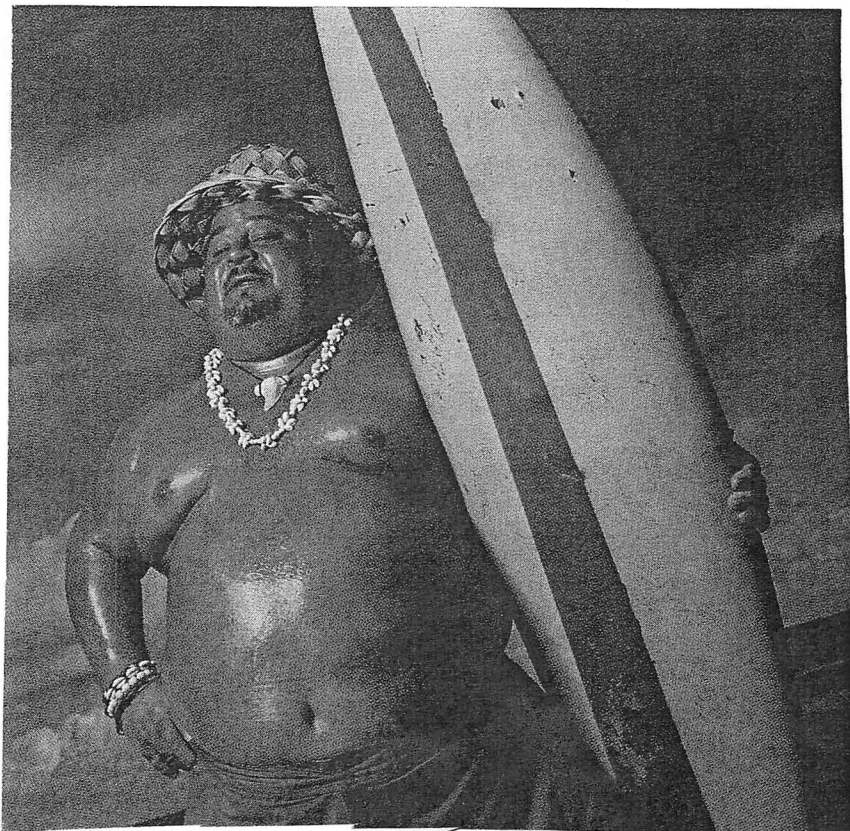
# *The Tao of Campcraft*

Without knowledge and skills one is helpless in the woods. How many people do you know that can light a fire with one match? How many people do you know that can use a knife safely and respectfully? Make rope from plant fibers? Cook without a pot and pan? Tell the time from the sun? Or make fire from a few pieces of carved wood?

Not many.

But at Birch Rock there are many. And we are strong.  
The Way of Campcraft will guide one through the darkness of ignorance and fear.

Inside each of us there is a Buck Hard.





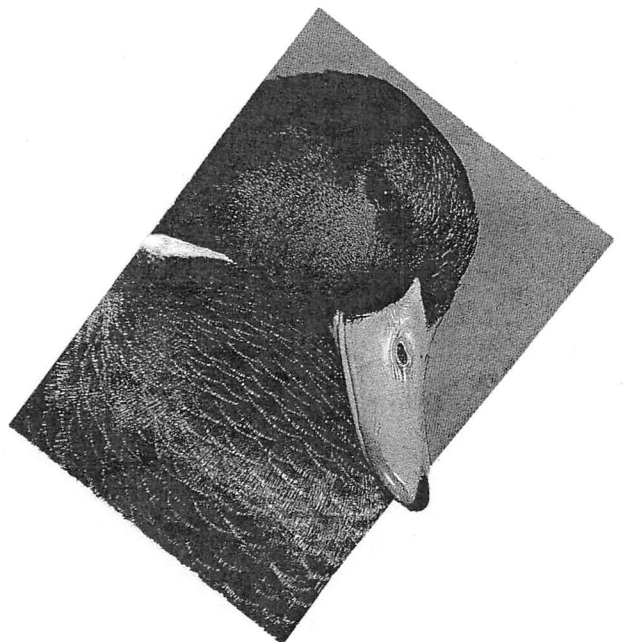
# Nature Activity Report

What a good year at Nature. With some newly created badges, the nature program has really come into its own since Black Massey. Overall, kids who came to nature were curious and grateful for our surroundings, which is cool. It all really climaxed when we got a chance to watch "Planet Earth" on DVD. Everyone was amazed, and really against the idea of watching "the future" segment. It goes to show there's still nature-lovers out there and that we are all depressed by the destruction of our favorite woodland friends. Big shout outs to Curtis Whiting, for his persistence, Harry Netzer, for something or other, Andrew St George, for being curious, Adric Allie, for holding it down everyday, Jake Cohen, for the humor, the McLaughlins, Dave Barette, and Ben Foley.

These are a few of my favorite things...

Frogs, Toads, feeding them, Mr. Shiznit, Tuffy's frog hurtling and general dislike for things with "little brains", Ben Semmes' solidness, the one-day junior badges, composting, Adric talk, wilderness observations of the Birch Rock, microscope fun, wintergreen, wipe-your-butt maple, rand-dom soda... in a leaf, Squanto, Theo Lipsky crying, I.D.ing?, massages, trust-in-nature walks, the nature walks to the plates, scoop... dunk... slam, and Anthony Mercedes in the woods.

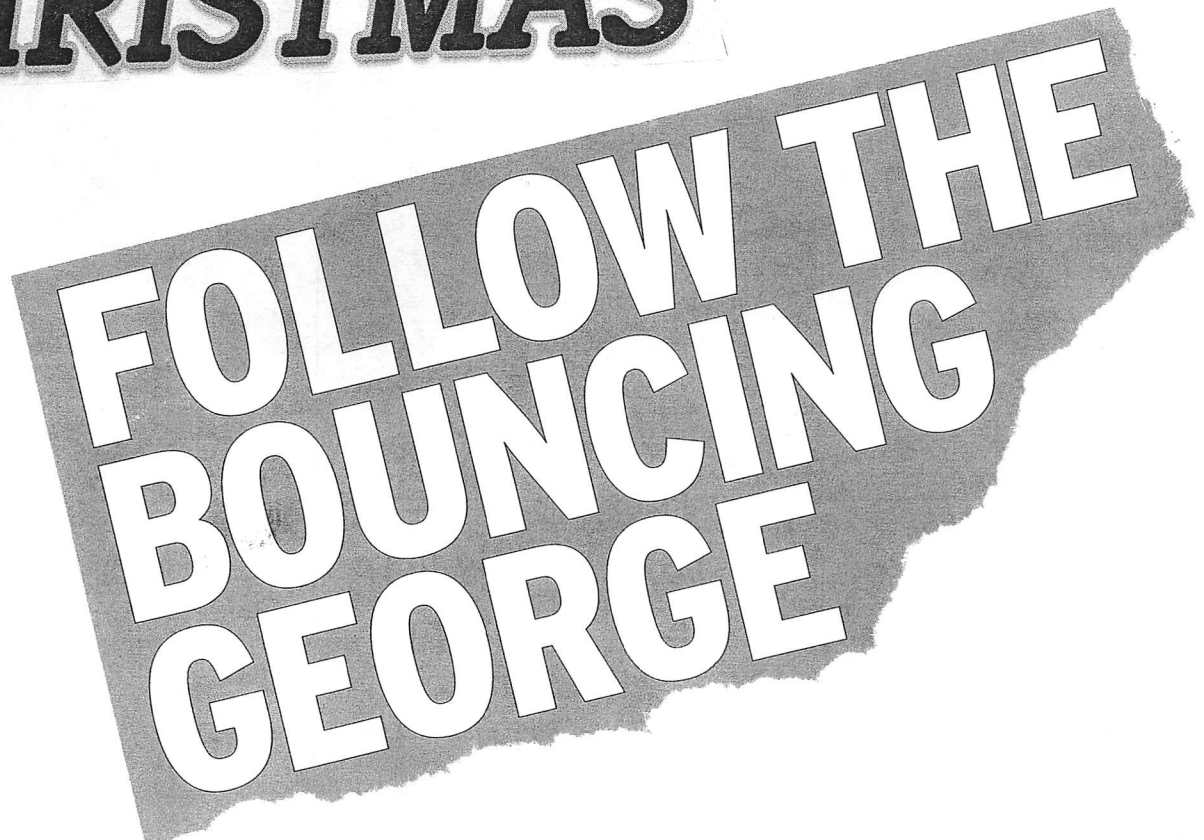
Those all had to do with nature.



## BASKETBALLIN!

This year basketball was bangin'. We had tons of balers, BALLIN!!!!. Participation was great, badges were being ejected and thrown out like Buttery Popcorn! Basketball could not have been better! It was basketballicious! Knockout was a big hit! Tons of games were played. Jim Jones was not ballin' as much as BRC campers were ballin'. Lang and I would like to thank everyone who made basketball a big success this year.

Chris(mas)



## Swimming 2007

This year, we learned how to swim. Not convinced? Ask Matt Eisner or Andrew Ziegler! Although these two swimmers, much akin to the author of this article, are rather thin- "svelte", we three prefer – the often nippy waters of McWain Pond did not deter them from fine-tuning their exceptionally hydrodynamic form. Indeed, both completed excellent Ducks! Still not convinced? Ask Jeremy Lifter, who jumps into the deep end off the catwalk now like its second nature to him. Still not convinced? Ask Anthony Mercedes, a city boy transported to the wilderness of Maine. Anthony set high goals for himself in swimming at the beginning of the summer and, through perseverance, redefined his conception of swim strokes and swam an amazing Duck. It's these campers' - and countless others who show the same enthusiasm and love the water- perserverance that has made this a rewarding summer on the waterfront. This year we have sent out close to 40 ducks, 15 loons, and seem exactly 16 seals and 9 whales. Incredible? Not compared to what's to come! Thank you to all the dedicated swimmers- and stay tuned for next year!

- Clifford, Lang, Boo Boo, The King, Ryan, Flash Zachley



## We Remember So Well...

Opening Day... New Faces... New Games... "Would you like to buy some girl scout cookies?"... Too Many Old Kids... Cold general swims... Epic winds...then no wind... Fourth of July Parade... Banana splits... Toy Story...Fireworks (Thanks Seth and Ron)... BEARS... "Galen is one HECK of a backseat driver"... Ain't no time for the jibba jabba... Unite the salt and pepper and save the puppies... New waiter system... Pierce World... Bradbury, oh wait don stole the van... The King (all hail him)... TO Double D Rap... Sammy D., Abo, and Randy Andy... Indiana Joelsson... EXTREME... Monte Basbas... Harry Potter... Hermione Hinny... Pokemon Song... The return of Cap'n Crunch... "No cryin' in the courtroom"... "I don't want no circus"... Wheel of Doom... CIT skits (not really)... Tonight's Arcadia (Sike)... Finally the Arcadia Dance...Svetsky... Meagan... Late wake-ups... Geronimo pep-rally...face paint... Geronimo activities... The return of Thomas Joyce...John Kinakanaka... The departure of Thomas Joyce... Joe Serpa... Casino Night... Do you come from a land down under?... BELL... Tennis Tourney... Crazy Spaniards (more or less)... Caribbean feast... Potluck with Chuck... Turnover Day... Big Adventure...Staff dominates in laser tag... Rock climbing... Ratatouille... Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows... Bye MWA... Wands everywhere... Cubs camp... Dave Weeks visits... Bangin'... Long Live Artem... Return of the CIT Whale... Donde esta Jaime? Cape day... Tibault the Prince of Cats... The American Weasel... Suppa



Saint... The Swedish Sensation... Roxy ate the program day... Radio Flag-Pole... Ice cream for breakfast... Mike Mattson day (he's the man)... orange soda... what? Joes is burning...trust falls... 9 whales... 2 crazy whales... 14 seals... Duloon... Minor Axe injury... intense trippage... Lost campers... nonexistent campsites...Secret Cupboards... Magical Lands... The X-Factor... Lots of Hot Chocolate (save some for the girl scouts)...The Hobbit... Meagan Fox... Adric Chop...Fox-Fire... Departing counselors... Geico... New Four Square... "you boys want some peppermint soap?" Still no wind... Czechoslovakia... Dave Florence vs. the Weaz ... Star Wars... Transformers... Amazing food... Instructional bed making... Owl's Perch inspection reign...Election Day... Assistant Backup Field Director... Beach day... strut contest... flour cake... triathlon... Welcome back MWA... banquet... lacapodium hunt... Chip ceremony... Awards ceremony... Badges... Goodbye... We will miss you... See you next year... Peace... bra

## Camper Bequeaths

Ben Ableles... Jeff Beck  
Jaime Alcibar... More or Less  
Curtis Alexander... 12 More Days  
Will Alexander... A New Hat  
Adric Allie ... Fire Fox  
Zach Bamberger ... Kobe Bryant  
Ryan Boothby ... Bread  
Pat Bowden ... A Record  
John Breggia ... A Bathing Suit  
Eli Brewster ... A Time machine  
Will Brewster ... A Buzz Cut  
Teddy Brown ... Aloe  
Peter Burke ... A Punching Bag  
Jake Cahill ... A Sail  
Nils Caliendo ... Grand Master Title  
Jay Capasso ... An Ipod  
Matt Carson ... "Six"  
Dimitri Cavoulacos ... A Handshake  
Alex Chapin ... Guitar Hero III  
Andy Churchill ... A Wedding  
Henry Cleaves ... A Rematch  
Sam Cleaves ... Shampoo  
Chris Cogswell ... Nair  
Nick Cogswell ... A Black Room  
Jake Cohen ... Cupid's bow & Arrows  
Zach Cohen ... Competition  
Ben Cole ... 50 Cent  
Robert Donahue ... Cathedral Ceilings  
Alexander Dowd ... Name Tags  
Louis De La Bardonnie ... Lacrosse Stick  
Drew Doran ... Lang Robson  
Gabe Dreyer ... Per  
Ben Duvall ... Sunscreen  
Andrew Edwards ... Guest Spot An The "Office"  
Matt Eisner ... A Conference  
Mace Elizondo... A Mail Box  
Charlie Fay ... MLL  
Colin Fellezs ... Veganite  
Agustin ferreira ... Butterscotch  
Patrick Felsher ... Nursing Degree  
Dave Florence ... Tickets to Wimbledon  
Markus Foley ... The Nemesis  
Ben Foley ... Cletus  
Jamie Foley ... The Black Pearl  
Damian Freeman ... Half Pipe In The Drive Way  
Nate Geremia ... Bubble Wrap  
Isaac Godsoe ... Cubs Camp

Spalding Goetze ... Another Generation  
Pablo Garcia-Landarte ... A Backhand  
Ray Gonzalez ... leading Role On The Muppets  
Henry Gunderson ... Bronzer  
Matt Guttman ... Matt Downs  
Kevin Hare ... Hill Sprints  
Nate Howard ... A proton  
Ben Howard ... A New Birth Certificate  
Dan Huycke ... An Art Kit  
Chris Huston ... Stilts  
Joe Ingraham ... A Teddy Bear  
Zach Jarman ... A Search Party  
Ned Jakuboski ... A Smile  
Travis Johnson ... A Cackle  
David Kane ... A Barbell  
Owen Knights ... A Wedding Invitation  
Thomas Leddy ... A Family Reunion  
Jeremy Lifter ... A Laugh Box  
Theo Lipsky ... The Elder Wand  
Zach Lynn ... Pickles  
Will Manning ... Tickets To The World Cup  
Bruce Manning ... Eggs  
John Musciano ... 3 ½ More Weeks  
Alex McKeen ... A Trip To Springers  
Alex Newman... A challenge  
Trevor McLaughlin... A stage dive  
Sam Ricciardi... Laser shooting lenses  
Alex McLaughlin... A Bungalow  
Chris Rios... A CIT shirt  
Patrick McLaughlin... A meeting with Al Pacino  
Peter Robbins... A razor  
Connor McLaughlin... A Brother  
Josias Rodriguez... A road bike  
Anthony Mercedes... A Bowflex  
Josue Rodriguez... Dominoes  
Kellen Smith... New fingers  
Aaron Stanaland... Two days at Waz  
Zach Straight... A new Sweatshirt  
Connor Sullivan... A 3 on his bed  
Nathaniel Young... Kleenex  
Harry Netzer... Access to wikipedia  
Nicholas Noerdlinger... A cow lick  
Nick Ray... frames  
Andrew Ray... 3 tiny rocks  
Jimmy Scalon... a check out sheet  
Cole Schlecht... A grill/281-330-8004  
Ben Semmes... 299 soldiers  
Will Sheppard... Chlorine

Jackson Stevens... A stealth bat  
Nolan Sullivan... Bubbles  
Matt Sutton... A game of tag  
Jonathan... Lindsey  
Robert David Weeks... A broom  
Gage wheeler... Fireworks  
Curtis Whiting... Socks  
Toby Young... Aviators and a big wheel  
Andrew Ziegler... A prank

### *Staff Bequeaths*

Mike Mattson... A quarter century club  
Rich Deering... Punch  
Ryan Massey... A cheering section  
Janice Walker... A Suzuki  
Mark Sutherland... A nutritionist  
Doug Miller... Trip leaders  
Cathy Roland... A trip to Paris  
Charlie McDonald... Trees  
Dave Jenkins... An MRI  
Matt Clifford... Lifetime supply of San Pelligrino  
Andrew Clemence... Mr. Universe  
Charlie Knights... Montgomery Flea Market  
Walter Roland... Everlasting gum  
Erik Joelsson... A degree  
Ryan Royalty... A throne  
Ryan McElroen... Newport, RI  
Chris McElroen... A sleigh and bells  
Lang Robson... A bear suit  
Benton Shattenberg... Staff week  
Elliot Hanger... A motorcycle helmet  
Zach Lashley... Dishes  
Joe Serpa... Freakadelka  
Erin Adams... A sweater  
Andrew Bowden... A chaperone  
Aidan Bozzelli... R Dudd  
Sam Deeran... The Wizard  
Thomas Joyce... A reliable vehicle  
Don Munn... Lunch  
Mike Nordblom... Transformers  
Sean O'Toole... A pay raise  
Sam Rizzotto... flip-flops  
Pam Stock... A braver dog  
Alasdair Thornton... A sensor button



Sebby Weeks... Capri pants  
Ruth Wilson... A speedy recovery  
Todd Cobb... A new pillowcase  
Ed Cohen... A house band  
Joe Cohen... First aid kit  
Pierce Madden... Cue cards/ a baby  
Nick Rios... wintergreen  
Nick Martin... Sig Hansen  
Eli Lipsky... Right Guard

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